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Cat killer at large

FAMILY PET HAS TO BE PUT DOWN AFTER BEING SHOT BY AIR RIFLE

AN AXMINSTER family is distraught and angry after a much-loved cat had to be put down after being shot with an air rifle.

Anders Larsson
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peals for information about the incident. Bex and Sean Scotland came home to Cawley Avenue, Millwey Rise at about 5pm on Tuesday, February 28th and immediately noticed that something was wrong with Belle, one of two family cats.

Mr Scotland said: "Belle had been sick, was limping and there was evidence of blood in the house. I rang the vet straight away."

They took Belle to Coombefield Veterinary Hospital in Axminster, and the news was bad.

Mrs Scotland said: "She had actually been shot. They did an X-ray which unfortunately showed the news we were dreading, it had gone through her tummy and into her spine."

"There was nothing they could do, so she was put to sleep."

"This was our four-year old daughter's cat and they were very close. Please help us to

catch who is responsible."

PCSO Chris Bolsover of Axminster Police said: "If anyone witnessed the incident or has any information, please call the police on 101 and quote reference CR/015051/17."

He also said that there had been no similar cases reported recently.

The RSPCA is also investigating, and a spokesperson said: "It is very distressing to think that people take pleasure in causing such horrific injuries to defenseless animals."

"This appears to have been a deliberate act of cruelty, but also a breach of the law."

"Unfortunately, air rifle attacks are not as rare as we would like."

"The injuries caused by such attacks are horrific and often fatal."

"Cats and wildlife are normally the animals that are more susceptible to these incidents simply because they are out in the open with no one to protect them."

"We are calling for tighter controls with bet-

ter education and explanation of the law when buying an air gun and that everyone must receive basic safety training before being allowed to walk out of the shop."

"These weapons cause horrific pain and suffering and it is illegal."

"Anyone caught deliberately using an air gun to injure an animal can be up to six months in prison and/or a £20,000 fine if found guilty under the Animal Welfare Act."

"We urge anyone with information with what happened or who knows who targeted this poor cat to call the RSPCA Inspectorate Appeal Line in confidence on 0300 123 8018."

A Coombefield Veterinary Hospital spokesperson said another cat, also shot with an air rifle, received treatment about one month ago.

CCG decision: now Seaton Hospital loses its beds too

THE decision to shut hospital beds in Seaton has angered people in Axminster.

The decision was made at a meeting of the governing body of the Northern, Eastern and Western Devon Clinical Commissioning Group (NEW Devon CCG) last Thursday (March 2nd).

The announcement left both communities reeling following the closure of Axminster Hospital's beds in 2016. **See page 7**



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CCG remove more hospital beds

HOSPITAL beds in Seaton and Honiton face the same fate as those that were in Ottery St Mary and Axminster – they're being removed by the CCG as part of their controversial move to caring for more people in their own homes.

The decision was made at a meeting of the governing body of the Northern, Eastern and Western Devon Clinical Commissioning Group (NEW Devon CCG) on Thursday (March 2nd) and the announcement has left the communities reeling.

CCG board members made the decision following a 13-week consultation which ended at the start of January; Honiton was not even included as one of the options to retain its beds.

The CCG's original preference (Option A) was to keep beds in Tiverton (32 beds), Seaton (24) and Exmouth (16). But following the consultation and further analysis, it was decided that hospital beds should be kept in Tiverton (32), Sidmouth (24) and Exmouth (16) (Option B).

The number of community hospital beds across the Eastern Locality, which covers East Devon, Exeter, Mid Devon and parts of West Devon including Okehampton, will decrease from 143 to 72.

Tiverton and Honiton MP, Neil Parish, fiercely criticised the consultation calling it 'a sham,' highlighting that residents in Axminster and Uplyme will have to travel 15 miles to the nearest community hospital beds.

Mr Parish said: "I can't hide my disappointment at this decision. The CCG have bulldozed through these proposals after a sham consultation."

"Seaton and Honiton hospitals are treasured local assets, with excellent staff and decades-worth of investment by local Leagues of Friends. Honiton is so good it was known as the 'Honiton Hilton' locally and Seaton is a top-quality facility. Now, at the flick of a bureaucrat's pen, both hospitals are set to lose all their beds".

"Although I understand the move towards home care, it's a fact that hospital patients like to be treated and cared for in community beds near to their homes and loved ones, rather than in faraway hospitals where they can feel cut off. "Honiton and Seaton both serve big rural hinterlands and I am concerned villages and hamlets will soon be cut off. I only hope that local people do not suffer from this decision.

"At a recent meeting in Honiton, CCG board member, Dr David Jenner, gave me a public assurance that comprehensive home care would be in place before any bed closures at Seaton or Honiton.

"I will be holding Dr Jenner's feet to the fire on these promises.

"I will continue to hold NHS chiefs to account on their decisions.

"I have already met with Health Secretary, Jeremy Hunt, on this and will be meeting again to make the case for retaining as many community hospital beds in Devon as possible."



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Following the decision, Dr Tim Burke, chairman of NHS NEW Devon CCG, said: "We know we can do more to prevent unnecessary hospital admissions and support a faster return home for our patients.

"Too many people are in hospitals when they don't need to be there. Every day, up to 600 people are in hospitals (100 of these in community hospitals) who no longer have a medical need to be there.

"There is a growing body of evidence that the solution lies in developing community services outside hospital, which in turn reduces the numbers of people unnecessarily admitted to hospital.

"We need to be focusing more resources on providing better care for people away from hospitals."

Heather Penwarden, Honiton Hospital League of Friends chairman, said: "Honiton Hospital League of Friends are deeply saddened by the decision from NEW Devon CCG to close all the medical beds at Honiton Hospital.

"This is without doubt the end of an era for our community hospital and without, as yet, any indication of what service will be put in place of the medical beds we are extremely concerned for the vulnerable and very sick people in our community.

"We pay tribute to all the nursing and admin staff on our medical ward who have carried on providing first class care to their patients through these most difficult of months.

"On a personal level I am extremely sorry that we have not managed to influence the outcome in a more positive way for the people of Honiton.

"All I can say is that we tried our best with some of us working long hours reading and writing reports and attending meetings and I have to say it has felt a bit like trying to halt a moving train."

Dementia UK fundraiser

OUR recent feature supporting Dementia UK raised £123.48 for the cause.

As well as backing from our advertisers, we also held a bake sale and dress-down Friday collection, which raised more than £50.

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Wanted man is back in the Yeovil area

POLICE believe a wanted man is back in the Yeovil area, and urge anyone who sees him to call 999.

In a statement issued on Sunday, March 5th, a police spokesperson said: "We're asking for the public's help to locate wanted man Mircea-Andrei Vieru (pictured) from Yeovil."

"The 20-year-old is wanted for grievous bodily harm following an incident in December in which a

woman was seriously assaulted.

"Following information received yesterday we believe he is back in the Yeovil area and want to locate him as soon as possible

"He's of medium build, 5ft 5ins, with brown hair and brown eyes.

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■ **WANTED MAN:** Mircea-Andrei Vieru

Ilminster man charged with Chard rape

POLICE have charged a man with common assault and rape after an alleged incident in Chard.

The incident took place in Jocelyn Park on Friday, February 24th at some time between 3.30pm and 7.45pm, and police have appealed for witnesses.

A police spokesperson said: "A 17-year-old girl was assaulted by a man known to her."

"As a result of our enquiries, a 25-year-old man from the Ilminster area, was charged with common assault and rape and remanded in custody."

DC Catherine King said: "This incident took place in a public place at a time when we are sure there would have been members of the public around."

"We need to hear from anyone who may have witnessed this incident and could help us with our investigation."

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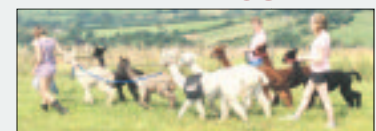
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LICENSING: Bishop Robert Atwell, The Reverend Clive Sedgewick and The Archdeacon of Exeter Christopher Futchter in The Minster during licensing on February 28th

New rector for Axe Valley

THE Reverend Clive Sedgewick has been installed as The Team Rector of The Axe Valley Mission Community, which also includes All Saints, Chardstock, Combyne with Rousdon and Membury.

Having spent two weeks in Axminster, his first impression is that the town has a feel of real community, rather than just a place where a group of people live together.

He is also getting used to the hustle and bustle, saying Axminster is the largest place he has ever lived in.

He is no stranger to large towns and cities, but has always lived in small villages.

Summing up his first two weeks he said: "People talk to you in the street. They are happy to have a chat and don't just walk past."

The Reverend Sedgewick was born in a small village between Derby and Nottingham, and spent his formative years in the East Midlands.

He is a keen Nottingham Forest fan, and was a great admirer of legendary manager Brian Clough. The new rector used to play rugby and cricket, and takes great interest in many

other sports.

About his role in The Axe Valley Mission Community, he said: "It is important that people see me as rector of not only Axminster, but the whole mission community."

"I don't see myself as coming in and doing something radical. Part of my aim is that the church is involved."

"Are we involved in campaigning and the support of things?"

"The church must be about more than waiting for people to come to services."

The Reverend Sedgewick comes from a post as priest in charge of Bardsey with East Keswick – a rural parish situated just north of Leeds.

He was ordained in 2004 and has a background in education – mainly working in and with Church of England Schools

He spent many years as a primary teacher, headteacher, adviser and, finally, 11 years as a diocesan director of education.

The vacancy in Axminster arose when The Reverend John Streeting passed away in October 2015.

Young farmers' charity breakfast

AXMINSTER Young Farmers (AYF) will be cooking up breakfast in Axminster Guildhall on Sunday, March 19th.

The popular and annual charity big breakfast will run from 9am-2pm, and AYF secretary Alice Gay said: "Last year we served over 270

breakfasts and raised over £1,900 for Parkinson's UK.

"This year we have chosen to support Dementia UK and all profits made will be going to the charity."

"We will be cooking and serving full English breakfasts, toast, tea, coffee and juice."

"You will also be able to help yourself to cereal, fruit and yoghurt."

"Prices are £7 for adults and £4 for children, everything included."

"There will also be a raffle and cake stall."

"Everyone is welcome. Don't miss out."

Firefighters turn car-washers

AXMINSTER firefighters will become car washers for a day on Saturday, March 11th.

Cars will be washed in the Tesco car park from 10am-4pm in return for a donation to The Fire Fighters' Charity.

Lee Howell, Chief Fire Officer for Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service said:

"Monies raised through national fundraising initiatives provide a real boost to The Fire Fighters' Charity."

"As well as being a fun and popular event, the National Car Wash also gives our firefighters the opportunity to share

important safety messages with members of their local community."

"Your valued donations will go towards helping thousands of men, women and children from the fire and rescue community during their times of need."

More Scrabble at library

THE Scrabble Club at Axminster Library is so popular that sessions are being increased from once a month to every first and third Thursday of the month.

Library assistant Sarah Jones: "Scrabble Club is a good way to meet people, as well as keeping the mind active. We are de-

lighted to now hold it twice a month."

The Scrabble Club runs from 2pm on the first and third Thursdays of the month, it is free, open to all, with tea and coffee provided.

The next session will be on Thursday, March 16th.

Barefoot project help to boost kids' IT skills

MORE than 26,000 primary school pupils in Devon have benefitted from a pioneering education program to boost youngsters' computing skills.

The Barefoot Computing project, which has now reached more than one million pupils UK-wide, helps primary school teachers get to grips with computing so that they can better help their pupils.

Led by BT and the British Computing Society, Barefoot offers free teaching-resources and volunteer-led training workshops, designed to help primary school teachers get confident when teaching computer science and computing skills.

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It is making a big impact across the UK with over 130,000 resources downloaded and more than 35,000 teachers using those resources.

In Devon, 69 workshops have been held, attended by nearly 1,000 teachers, who have then been better able to help more than 26,000 of their pupils.

Jon Reynolds, chairman of BT's South West regional board, said: "Computing is a vital skill for the future of Devon.

"For the individual, it opens the door to a world of possibilities.

"Businesses and organisations of all types and sizes rely on this technology, whilst households use it for online learning, research and entertainment.

"In the South West BT volunteers are running workshops at schools the length and breadth of the region, giving teachers the confidence to teach computing to young people.

"Those skills will undoubtedly be used to successfully navigate a whole host of real-world challenges as they go through life."

Barefoot was created in response to concerns that many young people today are pas-

sive consumers rather than active creators of technology – and risk being left behind.

Findings from research company Ipsos MORI and BT showed how important it is for the UK to step up its efforts on primary school tech literacy. Seventy eight per cent of primary school teachers think tech literacy is as important as reading and writing.

Seventy five per cent strongly agreed it's their job to prepare pupils for a digital

world, but only 25 per cent strongly agreed they felt able to do that. Barefoot is designed to address that need.

Liz Williams, BT's director of tech literacy, said: "BT is delighted Barefoot has reached this major milestone, because we know that the next generation's life chances will be improved by being able to thrive in the digital world."

Barefoot is part of BT's Tech Literacy ambition and forms part of the long-term commit-

ment by BT, unveiled in 2015, to help build a culture of tech literacy for the nation, reaching five million young people by 2020.

The Barefoot Computing Project was created in 2014 by a coalition of partners, including the Department for Education, the British Computer Society, BT and Raspberry Pi.

To find out more, access the resources or book a workshop visit www.barefootcas.org.uk

Calls for formal policy on how district councillors engage with youngsters

EAST Devon Conservatives are behind a motion calling on East Devon District Council to introduce a formal protocol for councillors engaging with young people and vulnerable adults.

The move would require all councillors to undergo training and submit to a DBS (formerly CRB) check.

The call for a safeguarding policy received unanimous support when it was considered at a meeting of EDDC's Full Council in February. EDDC Chief Executive Mark Williams will be tasked with producing a report as the first step towards introducing the new measures as soon as possible.

The motion, proposed by Andrew Moulding, EDDC's Deputy Leader, and Phil Twiss, Cabinet Member for Corporate Services, urges: "That this council introduces a protocol for councillors for safeguarding vulnerable adults and children in the community".

Explaining why he and Cllr Twiss were calling for the new protocol, Cllr Moulding said: "We already have a policy for safeguarding adults, which applies to officers and where necessary to councillors.

"But councillors are increasingly being encouraged to engage more closely with the community and this engagement can often involve meetings with individuals on a one-to-one basis – including vulnerable adults and children.

"The Conservative Group on EDDC recognises the importance of putting the correct

safeguarding measures in place and, in so doing, setting an example within the community.

"In the light of this intention and the legal duties falling on this council in respect of the safeguarding of vulnerable adults and children, we're asking the chief Executive to prepare a report on the appropriateness of requiring all councillors to be the subject of a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service – formerly CRB) check and attending specific safeguarding training".

Cllr Moulding recalled two recent examples where he had spent time with students aged under 18 and had rightly been asked to produce a DBS certificate in order to be with the young people on a one-to-one basis.

"At election times we are also encouraged to engage with young people, often through social media.

"We need to be aware of the protocol regarding various modes of communication. Guidance needs to be robust and training for councillors is an essential element of protection for all concerned.

"We feel the council should be taking a lead on safeguarding. DBS certificates are now transferable and can be used for a range of situations where contact with young people or vulnerable adults is likely or inevitable.

"This will send a clear message that elected members of EDDC take our responsibilities seriously. We hope to see measures put in place as a matter of urgency".

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No action taken on Friday assault

A MAN suffered what was described as "minor injuries" during an assault in Axminster, but did not wish to take the matter further.

The incident happened on Friday, February

24th, and a police spokesperson said: "There was a report of an assault in South Street at around 9am, with minor injuries injuries.

"But the victim refused to engage with police."

Business breakfast at golf club



THERE was a marked Axminster presence when Scott Rowe Solicitors held a well-attended business breakfast at Lyme Regis Golf Club, in aid of Julia's House Children's Hospice.

Guests included Axminster mayor Cllr Paul Hayward, tourist information centre

manager and accommodation provider Joy Raymond, and town councillor Mervyn Symes, to mention only a few.

Guests networked before sitting down for breakfast on Thursday, February 23rd, and listening to speeches from Capital

Media Newspapers Ltd Group Editor Philip Evans and Scott Rowe Solicitors Director and Head of Dispute Resolution Kate Maslen (pictured).

Guests also enjoyed a presentation on the work of Julia's House.

A total of £420 was raised.



School marks World Book Day

■ STAFF and pupils at Axminster Primary Academy spared no effort in making the most of World Book Day on March 2nd.

Everyone arrived dressed as characters from books, so the theme was set from the off.

The photo shows staff and pupils just after the morning assembly.

Town Council vacancy

AXMINSTER Town Council has formally advertised a vacancy for Weycroft Ward after the death of councillor Joy Hull.

Members of the public have until March 9th to request a by-election.

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Axminster 'betrayed' by loss of Seaton hospital beds

THE decision to close hospital beds in Seaton has provoked anger in Axminster.

Axminster fought hard, but unsuccessfully, to save its own hospital beds last year. Its beds were moved to Seaton, which was to have catered for Axe Valley as a whole.

The decision was made at a meeting of the Governing Body of the Northern, Eastern and Western Devon Clinical Commissioning Group (NEW Devon CCG) on Thursday (March 2nd).

Beds will also close in Honiton, and Axminster mayor, Cllr Paul Hayward, who attended the CCG meeting, said: "I would hope that the

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mayors of Honiton and Seaton join me in objecting to this decision.

"Axminster has been betrayed. Honiton has been betrayed. So has Seaton, and so has each and everyone of us who pay taxes, and who paid taxes for decades, in the naïve hope that this would afford us the right to decent, dignified and local healthcare in our communities."

Dr James Vann, who had a leading role in the fight to save beds in Axminster said: "Sadly for the eastern part of East Devon, the CCG has failed to reflect the wishes and needs of patients.

"For me, there should be a vote of no confidence in the Eastern Locality of the CCG."

Ann Veit is a member of Axminster Hospital League of Friends, and was invited to the emergency meeting with MP Neil Parish last Friday organised by the Seaton friends group.

She said: "It is devastating news that we have had yet more promises broken."

Seaton and District Hospital League of Friends chairman Dr

Mark Welland said: "With regard to the late decision to switch from Seaton Hospital to Sidmouth Hospital for the 24-bedded unit, an appeal should be made to the CCG that the

population of Axminster was neglected, having previously been given specific assurances at the time it lost its beds that Seaton Hospital would be for the whole Axe Valley community."

Anglican bishop visits Axminster

AXMINSTER was an integral part of Bishop Robert's three-day fact-finding mission in East Devon.

The three Anglican bishops in Devon are touring the county, listening to people's views, and sharing the vision for the Church of England.

The new vision and its priorities to pray, grow and serve the people of Devon with joy were set out last year and are being shared and discussed as they go round the county.

Bishop Robert Atwell also had another important appointment in Axminster, the licensing of The Reverend Clive Sedgewick as Team Rector of The Axe Valley Community Mission on Tuesday, February 28th.

During his visit to Axminster, Bishop Robert paid a



NEW CHAPTER: Bishop Robert and The Reverend Clive Sedgewick with Axminster Library staff member Sarah Jones

visit to the library and met a selection of local business people and community members at a gathering in River Cottage Canteen.

Speaking prior to the Axminster visit, Bishop Robert said: "We live in very challenging times, not least financially challenging.

"Central to my vision for the church in Devon is serv-

ing its people with joy.

"There are many inspiring projects being run by Christians across the county, which I have visited as part of my year going round Devon.

"The work of volunteers – many of whom are inspired by their faith – is changing the lives of people for the better."

Pre-school stays 'good'



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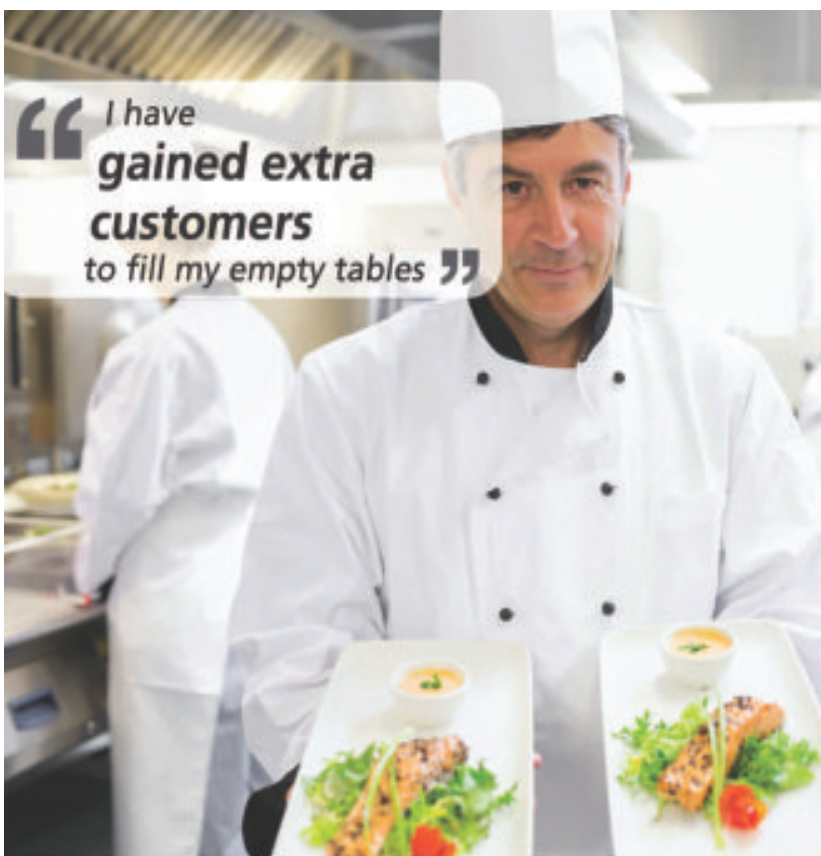
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World Book Day fun at Seaton Primary

SEATON Primary School and Seaton & District Lions Club celebrated World Book Day with the launch of their reading challenge, *writes IAN BARRADALE*.

Seaton Primary School have received tremendous funding from Seaton & District Lions Club and the school PTA for the event.

On Tuesday, February 21st, the children of Seaton Primary School came to school dressed as their favourite book characters to celebrate World Book Day.

Literacy co-ordinator Mr Johnson welcomed members of Seaton & District Lions Club, including president Jim Partridge-Hogbin and Janine Barradale, and the PTA to officially present the school with cheques to spend on a selection of new books.

Thanks to funding of £655.02 from Seaton & District Lions Club, which was matched by the PTA, each year the group

has been given a couple of copies of a selection of 15 books, specifically chosen to help children explore books written by a number of different authors, including stories from other cultures, historical and traditional tales, as well as some non-fiction texts.

Children are encouraged to read the books themselves, to others, or to be read to.

Some of the books may be challenging for the children, so family and friends will need to provide a little help to allow them to enter the incredible stories and be exposed to the wonderful language.

The books are intended to help develop their reading ability and love of books.

The year group reading challenge books come with a selection of certificates for the children to aim towards.

Each year, children will gain a certificate for reading the following:

- Four books from the reading challenge – bronze award;
- Seven books from the reading challenge – silver award;
- Ten books from the reading challenge – gold award.

The books were ordered locally at the Owl and Pyramid book shop in Seaton by Jenny Eagles, who kindly assisted with book choice and delivering the books to school.

Lions' president Jim Partridge-Hogbin said that the Lions were delighted to make this donation out of the money collected by the group during their Christmas street collection.

The children are really excited about this and have already taken reading challenge books home, motivated to read the wonderful stories and fascinating facts on their quest to achieve the awards.



■ SEATON Primary School children in their World Book Day costumes together with members of Seaton Lions and a representative from the school's PTA
Photo by IAN BARRADALE

■ SEATON'S neighbourhood policing team is preparing for a fresh round of 'have your say' surgeries in Beer, Colyford and Seaton.

The team, which consists of Neighbourhood Beat Manager PC Richard Jenkins and PCSO Mike McGauley, assisted by Sidmouth-based Neighbourhood Sergeant Andy Squires, will be in Mariners Hall, Beer, on Saturday, March 11th from 10.30am-11.30am.

This will be followed by a surgery in the chapel at Swan Hill, Colyford, from 10am-11am on Wednesday, March 15th.

A third event will be staged in Seaton Library on Saturday, March 18th from 10.30am-11.30am.

Apart from providing an opportunity to raise matters of concern about crime, the events also help police to build a rapport with the local community.

PCSO McGauley said: "The main thing is that we are building up a relationship with the community, which is essential for neighbourhood policing."



Doctors take on Grizzly

FOUR Seaton-based GPs, one of them retired, are set to run The Grizzly in aid of Seaton & District Hospital League of Friends.

They are doctors Katie Seaver, John Twaddle, Mark Welland and Joe Pitt.

They hope to complete the race without needing the support of Dr Dove and Dr Kent, who are manning the medical tent.

Dr Seaver said: "I run with Sidmouth Running Club and Otter Valley Hash House Harriers. I do the odd half-marathon and this will be my second Grizzly."

Retired GP and former Seaton & District Hospital League of Friends chairman Dr Joe Pitt is once again endeavouring to run the infamous Grizzly to help raise funds for the League.

He said: "This is the 27th time I have been involved in the Grizzly in one capacity or another; either having run it or been the medic on

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duty for it. Having retired I thought it a challenge to run it again though I confess the word 'run' is perhaps over-optimistic.

"It'll be yet again a really hard challenge but it's to help a cause I really believe in. Hopefully the public will feel able to support me in this by cheering me on or supporting the League of Friends. I'll need all the support I can get."

Sponsor forms and donations boxes are available at both Seaton & Colyton Medical Practice surgeries and the League's shop in Fore Street.

Non Gift Aid donations can also be made at Townsend House Surgery in Harepath Road.

Online donations can be made at www.seatonlof.btcc.co.uk



Dr Welland and Dr Twaddle will be joined by two colleagues on the Grizzly

First gardens market of the year

THE first Seaton Artisan Market of the year will take place in Windsor Gardens on Saturday, March 11th from 10am.

The annual Grizfest Seaton Artisan Market will open the 2017 season.

Apart from a wide selection of stalls, there will also be music from ukulele band Smugglers and local melodeon player G.

The event is organised by the Seaton Town Development Team.

Spokesperson Karin Frewin said: "We're looking forward to the first artisan market of the year at the Grizzly weekend. It's a great community day and we've got some amazing artisans at the market this year."

Abusive youths will be 'dealt with'

POLICE say that three youths who went around the town on Saturday, February 25th causing distress to customers and staff in various shops will be identified and dealt with.

Neighbourhood Beat Man-

ager, PC Richard Jenkins, said that the youths targeted several shops for an extended period of time, causing distress and alarm with their behaviour and abusive language.

He said that reports only reached police afterwards, but added: "They will be identified and dealt with accordingly. This behaviour will not be tolerated."

"We're not having it."



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Women's marathon to raise funds for Free To Run

THE female-only Women Can Marathon, being held near Ottery St Mary later this year, has announced it will be raising funds for international charity Free To Run.

The organisation uses sports to empower women and girls from regions of conflict. They

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focus on young women who have previously been unable to participate in sports programs, particularly outdoors, because of widespread discrimination and traditional

beliefs about women's roles. The organisers of Women Can say it's a perfect match.

Free To Run has programs running in three different provinces in Afghanistan. One of its recent successes was to enable the first ever Afghan woman to run a full

marathon in her own country.

It was this remarkable story that caught the eye of Jo Earlam, administrator of the Women Can Marathon, which takes place in East Devon on May 28th.

It was organised to celebrate the 50th anniversary of campaigning American runner Kathrine Switzer, who became the first woman to officially complete the all-male Boston Marathon in 1967.

Jo said: "The main inspiration for our event was Kathrine Switzer's historic Boston run, which captured public imagination at the time and helped prove that women were capable of running 26.2 miles.

"Many thousands of women, of varying speed and ability, now run this distance without restriction and train freely to compete in events around the world.

"I feel very lucky to be one of them, but I am very aware that some women are not as fortunate and face exclusion, not just from competing in endurance events as Kathrine Switzer did back in 1967, but even from training or access to physical activity.

"It's very fitting that women at our event will be celebrating Kathrine Switzer's pioneering run and at the same time raising funds towards enabling other women to share and enjoy the same experi-

ence. In a nutshell, it's women who can, supporting women who can't."

The link-up has been welcomed by the charity and its president and founder Stephanie Case said: "We're delighted and honoured to be selected by the Women Can 2017 Marathon.

"Many of us take for granted the simple act of putting on our shoes to go outside for a run.

"However, for many of the young women in our programs, this is their first opportunity to experience moving freely outdoors.

"Such a simple act can truly change a life, and with the support of the Women Can 2017 Marathon, we'll be able to help support more women and girls who need it most."

The Women Can Marathon takes place from Tipton St John; the start and finish location is the community-owned village playing field, which was also founded in 1967.

As part of the legacy from

the unique, one-off event, some of the proceeds will be invested locally, through the playing field association, and in partnership with Active Devon and LED Leisure in improved sports coaching for girls and women.

Women Can was recently announced as the first UK partner event for Kathrine Switzer's global running organisation, 261 Fearless.

More than 280 women have signed up as runners, Nordic walkers, or part of relay teams, with entrants coming from across the UK and even abroad.

Around 150 marshals and volunteers will be needed on the course, to run water stations and help at the start and finish.

Jo Earlam said: "The support has been fantastic. We've been overwhelmed with how this event has captured the imagination of women who're entering, people offering to help and businesses coming on board as sponsors."

Council wants to reduce food waste

DEVON County Council has joined forces with local and regional authorities across six other European countries on a new four-year research project, aimed at reducing the amount of food waste in the supply chain.

The project, called ECOWASTE4FOOD, is funded by the Interreg Europe programme and includes authorities from France, Spain, Italy, Greece, Finland and Poland.

The first two years of the project will involve research to discover and share best practice and innovations for reducing food waste in each of the partner countries.

Implementing some of these ideas as well as influencing future UK and European policy will be part of the second half of the project.

In Devon, the project will be led by a stakeholder group made up of the county's key food producers and distributors.

These will include organisations that redistribute surplus food to those in need, such as foodbanks.

The stakeholder group will shortly be decided on and any organisations and projects that are keen to be part of the conversation about how to reduce food waste and are interested in innovative solutions are invited to contact Devon County Council.

Councillor Roger Croad, Devon County Council's Cabinet Member for Environment said: "Devon has a strong tradition as a food growing and producing county.

"Reducing supply chain food waste will be both good for the environment as well as business productivity and also has the potential to redirect good nutrition to where it is most needed.

"If you or your organisation are interested in this significant research project, want to know more about how to reduce food waste and are interested in sharing and learning from best practice then the project team would be delighted to hear from you."

Annette Dentith, Devon County Council's Principal Waste Manager who is managing the project, said: "This is an exciting opportunity for Devon to make some real headway in addressing the issue of reducing food waste amongst businesses and households.

"Food waste is a global issue - across the world around one third of the food produced doesn't make it onto the plate which, with growing populations and increasing water and land scarcity will only become a more urgent problem to solve."



■ THE first women to run in a marathon in Afghanistan last year
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Colyton marks World Book Day



CHILDREN in Colyton celebrated World Book Day last Thursday.

Colyton Primary School (pictured below left) concentrated on 'Jack and the Beanstalk' this year, with numerous Jacks, herds of cows, jungles of beanstalks, bean sellers, angry mums, hens and the odd golden egg attending on the day.

Each class read different versions of the story; writing their own versions, writing and performing plays, and illustrating the story. Classes also enjoyed library visits and children brought in books for a book swap.

Children from Colyton Caterpillars Pre-School dressed as their favourite book characters of the day (pictured left), with costumes ranging from the Gruffalo to Alice In Wonderland.

They enjoyed reading stories both old and new, and a river walk with a theme based on the popular story 'The Owl Babies'. Children also watched 'Spot' and 'The Gingerbread Man' and 'Dear Zoo' on the iPad to promote the use of technology, and read factual books to learn about planting seeds before planting their own spring bulbs donated by Seaton Tesco.



Help needed for Goose Fayre

ORGANISERS of Colyford Goose Fayre are already looking forward to this year's event on September 30th.

The committee held their annual general meeting last week where members agreed to continue and distribute almost £5,000 to local good causes.

At this year's event, the procession through the village will start from The Elms at 1.30pm with the fayre itself open from 2pm to 4.30pm. Entry will be by programme only, which will cost £4 or is free for under 14s.

The committee are looking for volunteers to help on the day and are particularly hoping that younger members of the community will get involved.

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'Postbag' weighs heavy with Honiton town council row

I AM writing in response to Mrs Marjorie Anne Howe's letter, which appeared in your last edition (February 28th).

I am one of the candidates Mrs Howe referred to who is standing for St Paul's ward and I would like to make it quite clear that Mr Taylor did not sponsor or co-sponsor me in anyway.

Councillor Taylor, a democratically elected member of Honiton Town Council, was good enough to *nominate* me as a candidate for the Honiton by-election purely as I live in the same ward as he.

How this has any bearing on my present or future opinions or actions is pure conjecture on Mrs Howe's part. With all due respect to Mr Taylor, I do not appreciate being accused, in print, of singing from the same hymn sheet as he regarding his thoughts on the Beehive or any other matter in fact and resent the implication that I am a part of a wider conspiracy circle with a hidden agenda!

I am a completely independent candidate with an independent mind who is running for Honiton Town Council for no other reason than to contribute my time and efforts to the community.

I therefore suggest that Mrs Howe gets her facts straight before publicly implying that legitimate, nominated candidates, such as myself, do not have the ability or morality to act or think in their own right as they see fit!

TERRY A DARRANT,
Honiton

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IN response to last week's letter by Mrs Howe; I must protest and state I was not sponsored by Mr Taylor – he proposed me but did not sponsor me.

I was asked to consider joining the council because of my active role at the Honiton 55 day-care centre for our elderly folk, my work with Age UK teaching basic IT skills and my involvement and work delivering the fare/share food cloud charity donations.

It was felt by several individuals I had something to offer, Mr Taylor being one.

Seemingly associating candidates to the earlier court proceedings mentioned in the letter in my view is unwarranted, unfair and could be viewed as attempting to influence the forthcoming town council elections.

MICHAEL JONES,
by email

THE voters of Honiton need to be aware that Councillor John Taylor, who took the council to a judicial review, and substantially lost the case, will still cost Honiton Town Council a large sum in legal fees.

The background to this sorry story was libelous comments Cllr Taylor published about Honiton's Town Clerk in January 2015.

He was reported to East Devon's Standards Officer and was asked to apologise but he refused. He was found to be in breach of the code of conduct for councillors and was told to undertake training.

Honiton Town Council initially imposed further sanctions against Cllr Taylor but then withdrew these after about eight weeks following legal advice.

Even though Honiton Council's sanctions had been withdrawn, he still disputed the judgement made against him by East Devon and he instigated a costly judicial review against Honiton Town Council even though it was EDDC sanctions and authority he was disputing.

The council's costs for the review have been awarded against Cllr Taylor but will surely have to be paid up front by the council and then re-

THIS week has seen council tax rises by the county and district councils, claimed necessary to improve local services due to reduction in central government funding.

Will Honiton Town Council tax also rise? However, not to improve services but to cover legal costs.

I ask all council tax payers in Honiton to go to the Honiton Town Council website and choose the link to "Judicial Review costs judgement".

Councillor Taylor took legal actions against Honiton Town Council, the judge awarded costs up to March 19th 2016 to the councillor and costs after this date to Honiton Town Council.

However, it will be council tax payers in Honiton who will end up footing the bill.

Recently-elected Councillor Zarczynski issued leaflets about wanting Honiton Town Council to increase funding to local services like the Youth centre and 55 club, so I find it galling that a

councillor, who does not follow council code of behaviour, takes a legal action against Honiton Town Council which may result in costs of multiples of thousands of pounds.

Will the consequences of Cllr Taylor's actions be an increase in every Honiton town council tax payers' bill and reduction in funding to our local services? If so, thanks a lot, Cllr Taylor.

I am also concerned in that I understand Cllr Taylor (who cannot abide by the councillors' code of conduct) has acted as sponsor for three of the four candidates in the upcoming council elections!

Let the voters decide,

STEPHEN KOLEK,
Honiton

EDITOR'S NOTE: Cllr Taylor has proposed – not sponsored – three candidates in the upcoming election. See Mr Darrant's and Mr Jones's responses on this page

claimed from him. Will Cllr Taylor pay the full fee and will he pay immediately, or will he pay only part and drag out the payment over several years?

Don't forget Cllr Taylor will also have to pay his own legal fees which will surely be at least as much as the council's.

Who knows what will be the final cost to the town?

All this for a case that the judge said should never have been brought. Mr Justice Edis in his report (see Town Council website) said that Cllr Taylor "was seeking some reason to continue with his proceedings when there was no real purpose in doing so."

He also said, "Again, this posture speaks of a litigant wanting to find something to argue about, rather than trying to resolve a genuine grievance."

With regard to Cllr Taylor's accusations about the clerk the judge says; "He accused her of criminal conduct when there was not the slightest justification for doing so."

Cllr Taylor's actions and refusal to acknowledge wrong doing have cost the town council hours of work and thousands of pounds in legal fees.

Yet, despite all this, Cllr Taylor can still sit on the council. He can still sit in the same room as the town clerk whose reputation he smeared and to whom he has not apologised. He cannot be dismissed save by losing an election. Apparently, the only sanction that can be brought against him is publicity, hence this letter.

A further insult to the electors is that Cllr Taylor is sponsoring three of the candidates in the coming council election. Because, despite his shocking behaviour, that has been condemned by East Devon District Council and a High Court judge, Cllr Taylor is supported by a faction in the council and he is obviously looking to increase that support.

I call on Cllr Taylor to resign from the council and call on voters of Honiton to write to the mayor (Council Office, The Beehive, Dowell St, Honiton) to protest about his behaviour.

JOHN BURGESS,
Honiton

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The day I took out City's Nicky Jennings

I'VE always believed that a good local newspaper has to be part of the community, supporting good causes and providing essential publicity for the dozens of events that can genuinely make a difference for those who have been dealt a bad hand in life.

The newspapers I have edited or managed over the years have never walked away from taking on the difficult stories, putting our heads above the parapet in dealing with officialdom and reporting arrogance of those in authority.

There may have been times when we've overstepped the mark, but we've never shied away from making sure our readers have their say.

This was a lesson I learnt when I worked for Jimmy Hall at the *Sidmouth Herald*, about whom I wrote in my last column.

Jimmy, an ex-Fleet Streeter, wrote a brilliantly fearless column in the Herald called 'Frank Burgess'.

It didn't make him popular but it was compulsive reading when the Herald sold more copies in Sidmouth than there were houses.

I enjoyed my nine years in Sidmouth immensely and have retained a fondness for the town ever since.

I had a young but enthusiastic young editorial team, two of whom went on to great things in the world of newspapers.

Mark Hollands joined me as a 16-year-old cub reporter and ended up being one of the most influential voices in the press in Australia and is now a successful author.

He worked alongside Geoff Baker, a brilliant writer who went on to find fame in Fleet Street and held down one of the top jobs in public relations, looking after the PR for Beatle Paul McCartney for 15 years.

Geoff is back in living in Lyme Regis these days and works on a freelance basis for the newspapers I manage in London.

He's lost none of his desire for a great scoop and regards Jimmy Hall as one of the greatest influences of his working life.

Geoff and I met up with



■ The combined Sidmouth Town/Ottery St Mary team which played a celebrity XI in the Chris Salter memorial match back in the early 1980s. Representing the Sidmouth Herald - yours truly (back row, third from left), Mike Beard (back row, third from the right) and a young looking Mark Hollands (front row, third from right)

Mark on a recent visit to the UK to catch up with his family and we enjoyed a meal at the Blue Ball in Sidford, one of our old haunts.

It's more than 30 years since we worked together but Mark still retains those boyish looks, so evident in the photo above when we played in a charity football match we helped to organise at Sidmouth Town FC.

This event was a classic example of how a local newspaper can play a crucial role in doing a bit of good in the community.

We joined forces with Sidmouth and Ottery St Mary football clubs to put on a charity game for a young father, Chris Salter, an Ottery player who died tragically young.

Westward TV gave their full support with anchorman Ken MacLeod and presenter Alison Holloway, later to become one of Jim Davidson's wives, making an appearance.

Alison kicked off the main game in the tightest pair of shorts I can remember seeing.

A crowd of more than 1,000 turned up for match and we raised a considerable amount of money.



■ Westward TV's Ken MacLeod turning on the charm at the Chris Salter memorial match in the Sidmouth Town clubhouse

I managed to get on for part of the game and, according to Mark who messaged me on Facebook, I took out Exeter City player Nicky Jennings waist high. Too slow to catch him, no doubt.

The fundraising continued in the clubhouse afterwards, with Ken MacLeod leading the proceedings, after which we all "got smashed", according to Mark.

No wonder my recollections of the day are a bit fuzzy so apologies if there are any inaccura-

cies in the above.

I have been involved in many such events down the years, always with great support from my staff.

In recent times *Pulman's View* From raised £10,000 for the Rotary Waterbox charity and last year we fronted a campaign to ensure the Red Arrows appeared in Lyme Regis, retaining a 40-year link with the resort, by raising their fee of around £12,000 - something we hope to do again this year.

ADVERTISER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

New bridal boutique opens in Axminster



■ INVITED guests recently gathered for the grand opening of TL Bridal Boutique in Axminster. The new shop began trading on Saturday, February 25th, and held its grand opening reception that evening. The business is owned by Lorraine Faverty and her daughter Tessa Harris, both pictured with Axminster mayor Paul Hayward at the event.

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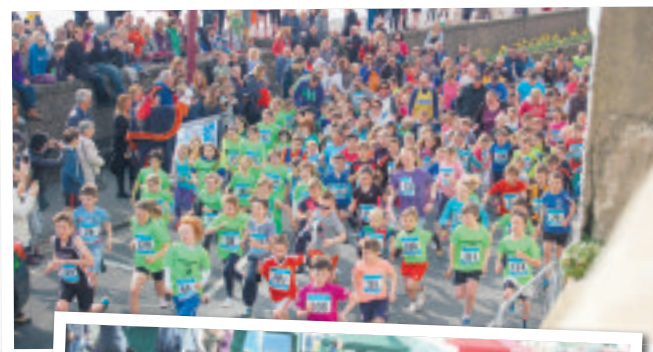
RUNNERS from all over the country – from Benfleet, Bedford and Bracknell; to Winchester, Wilmslow and Wells – will converge on Seaton this weekend for the 30th running of the Grizzly.

They will be joined by visitors from France, Germany, Cyprus, Holland and the USA as more than 2000 runners set out from Seaton seafront to tackle the challenging and notorious 20 mile multi-terrain run on Sunday (12 March).

To mark its 30th year, the event, organised by Axe Valley Runners, has been named Pearl's a Stinger. As usual there is a shorter Cub option available. Both races cover some of the most spectacular and beautiful scenery in the country

but also some of the most challenging with undulating pebble beaches, muddy hills, rocky cliffs and a couple of bogs to navigate.

Starting on Seaton Esplanade at 10.30am the runners of both races head immediately through the "Waves" at Fisherman's Gap onto the beach and towards Haven Cliff. After passing through Axe Yacht Club they return along The Esplanade and out on Beer Road to Seaton Hole before facing the first of many steep hills as they run into Beer. From there the route becomes largely off road as it meanders through Beer Head Caravan Park and on to Branscombe. The route splits at Branscombe Mouth with the



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cub runners starting their return with the tough pebble beach and the even tougher "Stairway to Heaven" ascent back up to Under Hooken. Meanwhile the Grizzly runners continue along the river into the village and up into the hills and woodland beyond. After some of the toughest running of the course the runners finally descend Hole Hill passing through (but not entering!) the Fountain Head before heading to Branscombe Mouth and returning to Seaton following the same route as the Cub runners – only now it will be even muddier!

Throughout the route some 500 marshals guide the runners and provide much needed water and snacks. Local musicians entertain the runners at various points on the course. A Grizzly memorial

will be constructed on Branscombe beach providing an opportunity for runners to tie a ribbon, leave a memory or just share a moment of reflection as they pass.

This year's Run Director, Tony Smith said, "We are looking forward to welcoming the runners and their families to beautiful East Devon this weekend. The Grizzly relies on amazing support from the many local community groups, the council, local businesses and individuals who help us and it could not be organised without their help. I would also like to thank the landowners who kindly allow the race to go across their land as well as the main race sponsor, East Devon Sports Therapy. I wish all the runners a great 30th anniversary Grizzly and we look forward to



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▲ Start of Saturdays Grizfest 2k fun run.

many more in the years to come."

As usual this year's Grizzly was well over-subscribed and having recently been named in the book, "50 Races To Run Before You Die" it is likely the race will remain as popular as ever.

All runners who complete the course receive a "Grizzly Survivor" T shirt at the finish with prizes, donated by Lyme Bay Winery, going to the first 3 male and female finishers of both the Grizzly and Cub. To commemorate its 30th anniversary a race video is being produced which will be available for purchase.

On Saturday (11th March) there is an opportunity for junior runners to tackle shorter runs with a 4k and a 2k fun-run available along the seafront.

During the weekend The Gateway (former Town Hall) in Seaton will be the Headquarters for the Grizzly with merchandise on sale, refreshments and a baggage store for runners on the Sunday. The ever popular Griz-quiz will also be hosted at The Gateway starting at 7.30pm on Saturday evening. Other venues including Pebbles and Seaton Jurassic are providing special pre and post run Grizzly menus as the Grizzly weekend continues to be a very special community event for the town. It is also a terrific fundraiser for local charities with more than £335,000 of race proceeds having been donated during the past 29 years.








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an inner knowing that - Pearl is just a brutal stinger, however hard you tried.

Yes, "Pearl is just a Stinger", the silent Muse replied,
Yes, "Pearl is just a Stinger", a joy to consolidate your pride:
your emblem of endurance : "Pearl is just a Stinger",
who can always match you, stride for Grizzly stride.

(Your wonder is that "Pearl is just a Stinger", not to be denied,
your insight is that "Pearl is just a Stinger", who never leaves your side).

But you are not the one who's ever down or stung
instead a distant echo in a blazing, empty space
as you climb the endless ladder, rung by slippery rung,
as you approach the realm of peacefulness and holy, heartfelt grace
and know that you have always given all that can be traced.
For "Pearl is just a Stinger" who wanders here and there
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(Every swamp, bog and muddy track contains a pearl somewhere.
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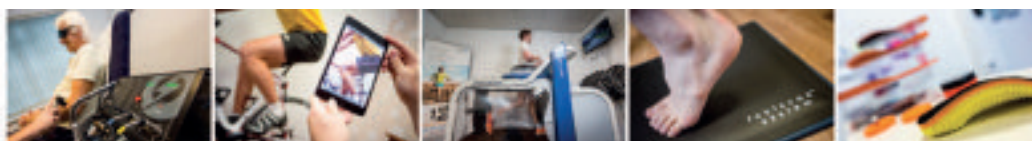
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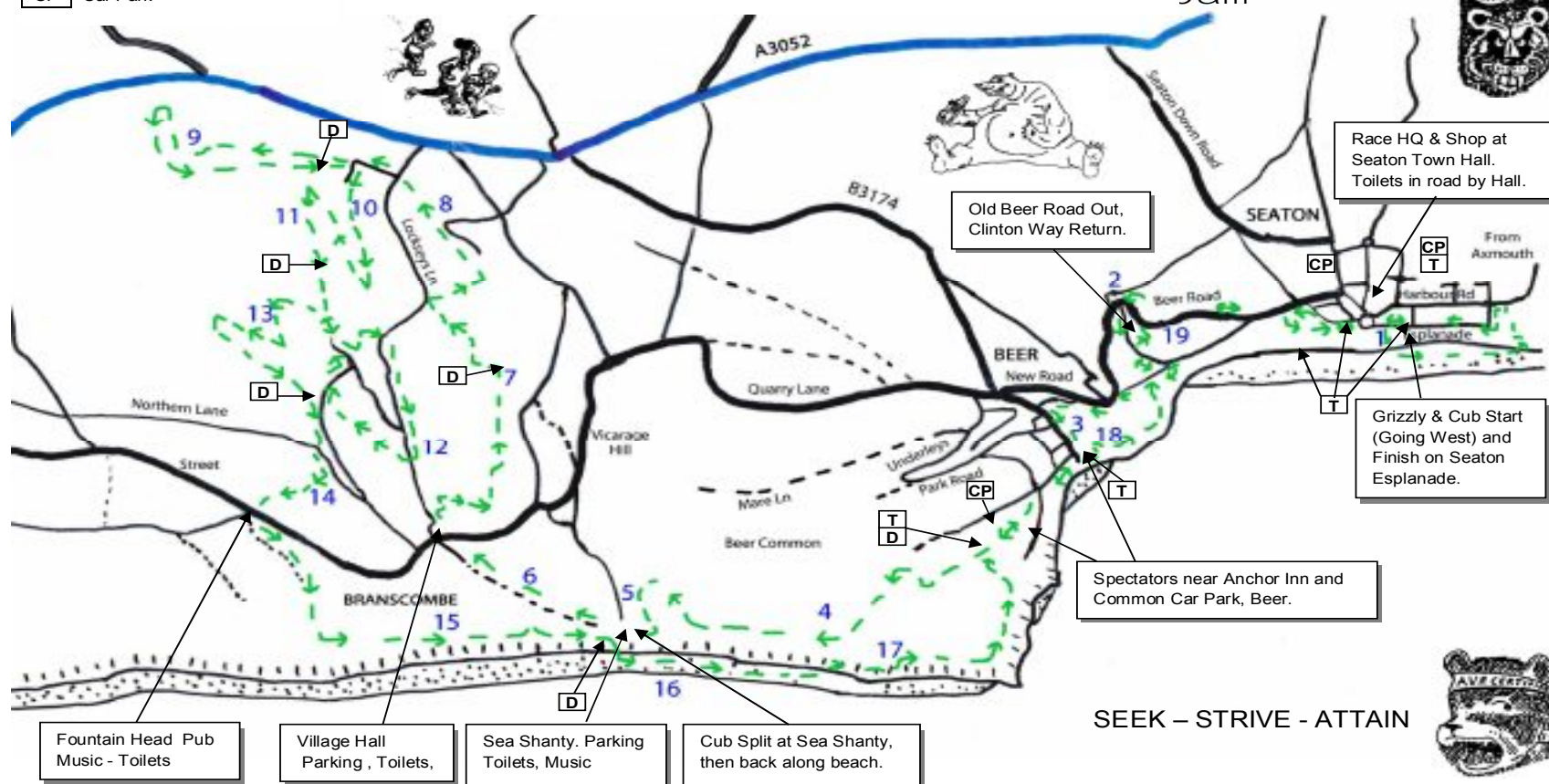
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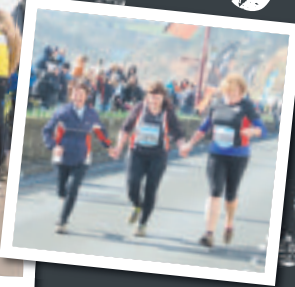
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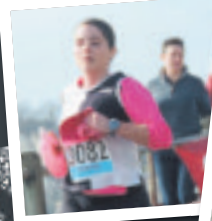
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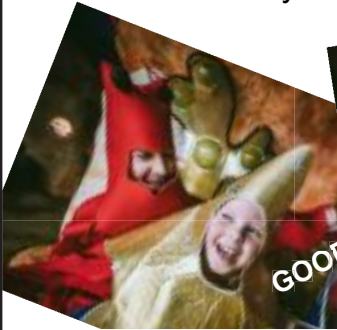
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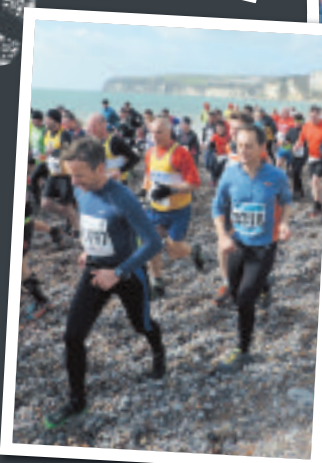
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- 30ml/2tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- Salt and freshly milled black pepper
- 2 garlic cloves, peeled and roughly chopped
- 1 small red onion, peeled and thinly sliced
- 2.5ml/½tsp dried chilli flakes
- 100ml/3½flop dry red wine

Method

1. Preheat the oven to Gas mark 7, 220°C, 425°F.
2. Place the potatoes in a non-stick roasting tin. Add the paprika and half the oil, toss gently, season and roast for 25 minutes. 15 minutes before the end of the cooking time remove the tin, add the garlic and onions, toss gently and return to the oven.
3. Place the steaks on a chopping board, season on both sides and dust with the chilli flakes. Heat the remaining oil in a heavy based frying or griddle pan and cook the steaks according to your preference. Remove the steak and keep warm.

Serves: 2

Preparation time: 10 minutes

Cooking time: (2cm/¾in thick steak):

Rare: 2½ minutes on each side,

Medium: 4 minutes on each side, **Well**

done: 6 minutes on each side **Cooking**

time for vegetables: Under 30minutes



4. In the same pan add the wine and simmer for 2-3 minutes or until reduced by half, scraping the base of the pan with a wooden spoon to release any sediment. Add any meat juices from the steak plate to the pan.

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People have been living in the Chard area since prehistoric times and villas nearby at Tatworth and Wadeford show that Romans lived here too, but the first written mention of the town was in 1065 just prior to the Norman invasion. A little over twenty years later the Domesday Book recorded details of the settlement which was then a large, though not rich, manor.

In the middle of the 13th century the lord of the manor, the Bishop of Wells, drew up

a charter founding a new borough of Chard. The site of the original village, now known as Old Town, was near St Mary's Church but the new borough was created a little distance away on what is now the A30.

Like many towns in England Chard became closely involved in the wool trade. The rise of the woollen trade in the north of England badly affected the industry in Chard but in 1819 the manufacture of lace arrived. Soon there were mills in and

around Chard producing bobbin lace net which was exported worldwide.

The industry continued throughout the rest of the 19th century and into the middle of the 20th century when the last mill in the town finally closed although net is still made in one of the nearby villages. A thriving engineering industry grew up alongside the lace mills and several of the firms which developed from this are still operating in Chard today.

You can discover more about our town's history in Chard Museum located in Godworthy House, High Street, Chard or by visiting the Tourist Information Centre at The Guildhall.

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The new venture is selling 'pre-loved' baby and toddler clothes plus toys, shoes and accessories.

Having two young children themselves - Livia and Robin - Gemma and Andrew found it difficult to buy children's clothes in Chard and decided to do something about it.

Gemma said: "There are lots of children in Chard and pre-loved clothing is so popular today.

"We think this will be good, the response has been very promising."

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The babies and toddlers will also have their own dedicated play space to explore using their senses to learn and develop. They too will have their own all weather outdoor play area.

Alison and Lynn are confident the transition to the new building will be a success taking their trusted experienced team of staff with them. Our Senior Supervisor, Sarah Perryment, having been with us for 15 Years will lead our team who have

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The 30 hours of free childcare can be used term times for 38 weeks or parents can spread the free childcare out over 51 weeks but they would only get 21.5 hours per week.

The Government has been rolling out a pilot scheme in 8 English areas: Wigan, Staffordshire, Swindon, Portsmouth, Northumberland, York, Newham and Hertfordshire. The scheme is scheduled to go nationwide later this year.

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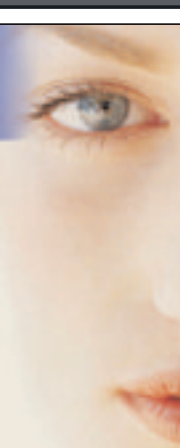
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Crewkerne's Clarinet Spectacular Concert

FOLLOWING last year's popular Sax Spectacular Concert, international concert clarinetist and saxophonist David White returns to St Bartholomew's Church, Crewkerne on 12 March at 3pm to perform a Clarinet Spectacular programme.

David White studied at the Royal Academy of Music and won the Geoffrey Hawkes Prize for clarinet. He has performed as a featured soloist on the last three albums of John Barry and was the woodwind soloist for the feature film "The Understudy" composed by Carl Davis. He performs with major symphony orchestras in Britain and abroad. His programme on 12 March will include specially arranged pieces for different clarinets including "The Baby Elephant Walk" by Herny Mancini, "The Elephant" from Saint-Saen's Carnival of the Animals and Mozart's Clarinet Quintet.

David will be accompanied on

piano by Jonathan Delbridge. Jonathan runs a busy piano teaching business based in Crewkerne called JD Music Services but is also well-known as a freelance soloist and accompanist. He has performed at venues throughout the UK including the Royal Albert Hall, York Minster and Norwich Cathedral.

Tickets are £8 for this concert and are expected to sell quickly following the popular Sax Spectacular concert last year. Tickets can be booked on 01460 271767 or from the Crewkerne Town Hall. There is free admission for those aged 18 and under and any remaining tickets will be available on the door at £10.

Feel free to use the attached photograph: David White performing a Sax Spectacular concert in Crewkerne 2016.

For further information or interview contact: Jonathan Delbridge info@jdmusicservices.co.uk 01460 271799, 07719 187508.



Oh,What a Night - another full house at Axminster Guildhall!

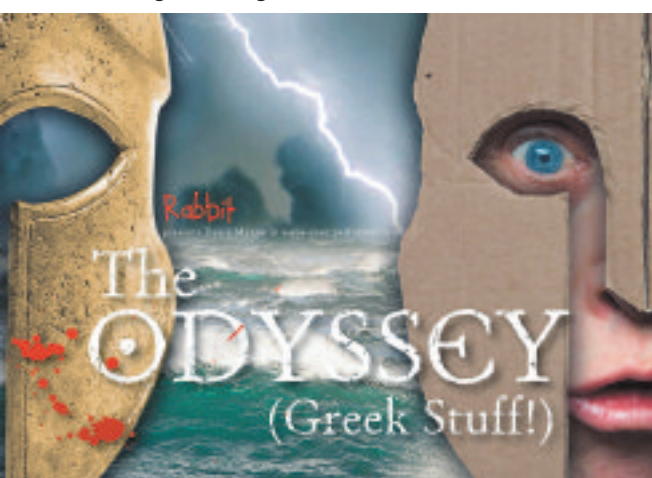
THE NEW Jersey Boys have again sold out their highly successful tribute to Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons on Friday night at the Guildhall, Axminster.

This popular show continues to play

to capacity audiences across the country and is already booking at venues for next year. Whilst their next date, at the McMillan Theatre, Bridgwater, is fully booked, tickets are available for The Exchange, Stur-

minster Newton on the 29th. April. The show is returning to the Palace Theatre, Paignton on Mondays in August and to the Manor Pavilion Theatre, Sidmouth on October 20th, and November 11th.

An Odyssey of Greek Stuff!



BASED – very loosely! – on the epic poem by Homer and from the makers of 'Great Expectations' and 'Dracula' comes a tale more exciting than excitement itself: The ODYSSEY! It's Greek stuff... all the good bits with the boring stuff removed.

If ever a show was designed for our lovely rural venues, this is it; a compact piece of theatre magic. David Mynne's skill with just a few simple props, a rubber face and clear and concise storytelling will fill the hall with drama and delight!

David Mynne is a founder member of Cornwall's legendary Kneehigh Theatre.

This year he's going to hell and back in the company of Heroes, Gods and Monsters. A host of exciting (and daft) characters – including a one-eyed Cyclops, a six-headed monster and the terrifying Sea God Poseidon – will conjure up a mighty storm and keep you on the edge of your seat. Suitable for adults and older children.

Rabbit Theatre present 'The Odyssey (Greek Stuff!)' at The Beehive, on Saturday, March 18th at 7.30pm. Tickets are £9 or £5, or £26 for a family ticket. For more details or tickets call 01404 384050 or visit www.beehivehoniton.co.uk

Roberts and Lakeman return to The Beehive

KATHRYN ROBERTS and Sean Lakeman return to the Beehive on Saturday, March 25th at 8pm, supported by Kitty McFarlane. The couple have long established themselves as one of the UK folk scene's most rewardingly enduring partnerships.

Twice recent winners of the BBC Radio 2 Folk Award for Best Duo – 2016 & 2013 – the couple's intimacy and strength of passion on stage have won them many fans and an enviable reputation as 'Songwriters par excellence' - (fRoots), whose greatly varied original songs cover such subjects as wicked mermaids, Norwegian leg ends, and a lonely whale.

Building upward from their last two highly praised albums 'Tomorrow Will Follow Today' and 'Hidden People', fans of folk and acoustic music can only wonder where this leading couple will choose to turn next.

With a story that includes over 20 years of music making with the likes of Seth Lakeman, Cara Dillon, Levellers, Kate Rusby and Show of Hands, Kathryn Roberts and Sean Lakeman have consolidated themselves as pillars of modern British folk.

For more details or to book call 01404 384050 or visit the website at www.beehivehoniton.co.uk



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THE ODYSSEY (GREEK STUFF!)
Sat 18 Mar 7.30pm £9/£5, Family £26
Based (very loosely!) on the epic poem by Homer. The journey of all journeys. To Hell. And back again. Gods, Monsters, Sirens, Derring-Dos and Derring-Don'ts! A love story that lasts decades. It's Greek stuff... with all the boring bits removed!

KATHRYN ROBERTS & SEAN LAKEMAN
Sat 25 Mar 8pm £12 (seated)
Support: Kitty Macfarlane
Winners of BBC Radio 2 Folk Award for Best Duo 2016 & 2013 – the couple's intimacy and strength of passion on stage have won them many fans and an enviable reputation as "Songwriters par excellence".

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Diary Dates

TUESDAY MARCH 7TH

AXMINSTER: Axminster Probus Club for retired and semi-retired business and professional men meets at 10.00 for 10.15am in a private room at the A35 Pit Stop, Gammons Hill, Kilmington for its AGM, a talk by Reg German and an optional lunch. For further details ring 01460 220528.

CREWKERNE: Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help provided. 10.00 am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

CREWKERNE: Henhayes Knitters at Henhayes Centre. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

COLYFORD: Cash Bingo at Colyford Hall 7.45pm in aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare @ Home. Ample parking. Please come and support this very worthy cause.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 8TH

AXMINSTER: Free Make & Munch with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families).

10.30am-12.30pm. For parents and carers of children (0-18), a hands-on course of six sessions. Have fun preparing simple delicious food and enjoy eating it together. Pre-school age children welcome with parents/carers. New venue Masonic Hall, South Street, Axminster. To book a place call Ros on 01297 631782 for more information or email admin@halff.org.uk.

SEATON: Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway, Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5 . All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk for more details.

BEER: Seaton Beer and District Branch RNLI Annual General Meeting. 7.30pm in the Function Room, Dolphin Hotel, Beer. EX12 3EQ Meeting includes talk by Ian Taylor, Deputy Coxwain from Exmouth Lifeboat Station. Additional volunteers needed and welcome to join our Committee and/or with fundraising. Also at our Shop at Jubilee Gardens, Beer. Please come to our meeting or telephone (01297) 23040 for further details.

CREWKERNE: Bingo at Henhayes Centre - Cash prizes - "eyes down" at 2.30pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games.

THURSDAY MARCH 9TH

CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Folk Dance Club 8-10pm at St Bartholomew's Church Hall. Every Thursday. Entry £3.50, but first visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 75760.

HONITON: Honiton and District Liberal Democrats Skittle Evening at the Heathfield Inn, 7.30pm. For more details call 01404 47127. £3 each.

SEAVINGTON: Seavington Gardening Club meeting in the Millennium Hall. AGM followed by a talk from Susannah Applegate about 'Peonies and Irises'. Visitors welcome £2 payable at the door. Refreshments available plus a raffle. For more details call 01460 249728.

CHARD: Chard Royal Naval Association bi-monthly official meeting in the Chard Rugby Football Club, Essex Close, at 7.30pm. It will be a good time to attend for any one who maybe interested in joining the association to turn up on the night where they will be made most welcome. Further details can be obtained via the secretary Mr Gary Pennells 01460 77978

SIDMOUTH: Prostate Cancer Support Group Honiton & District. Next meeting 10.00am Royal York & Faulkner Hotel, The Esplanade, Sidmouth, EX10 8AZ. Entrance free, partners welcome, just drop in. Part of North & East Devon Prostate Support Association. www.nedpsa.org.uk Reg Charity No: 1108540 Details: Terry 078 1173 3450

SEATON: Seaton Garden Club monthly meeting will take place at 2.30 pm at the Masonic Hall, Queen Street, Seaton. Talk and Demonstration by Richard Kerwood of Windrush Willow entitled "Willow Sculpture for the Garden" and there will be the opportunity to make a small sculpture for your garden. Visitors welcome, charge £2. to include refreshments. Contact details: 01297 24049

SIDMOUTH: Axminster and Seaton district of

Mainstream Magic

ILMINSTER ARTS Centre is keeping its 'jazz miles' down at its concert on Friday, March 10th, which features a group of local jazz musicians, led by Tony Roberts and featuring Matt Carter, Richard Llewellyn, Ben Taylor and Gary Evans. They will be presenting an evening of mainstream jazz at its enjoyable and accessible best, playing tunes from the American song book, Bossa Novas/Latin and 1950/60's 'Blue Note'.

Tony Roberts has had a long and illustrious career in jazz and this concert at Ilminster Arts Centre is a particularly special one as it marks his 80th birthday! Having started his musical career as an army bandsman, Tony spent the '60s performing with the likes of John Dankworth, Humphrey Lyttleton, Stan Tracey, Mike Gibbs, Kenny Wheeler, Graham Collier and many more, and as an in-demand recording artist and ses-

sion player provided the saxophone and clarinet to the music of TV's Bergerac. Having retired to a smallholding in Devon in 1971, he simultaneously recorded several albums with folk guitarist John Renbourn before returning to music full time in the early 80s until semi-retiring to Jurassic coast in 1992, where he continues to practice the art of Jazz!

Matt Carter is gifted young pianist who has already a seasoned performer with a wide repertoire, varying from musical theatre to soul, jazz, and pop. He has performed with artists such as Joss Stone, Mica Paris, Beverley Knight and Angelo Starr but his favourite music genre is jazz and he has performed with jazz legends including Alan Barnes, Brendon Allen and Greg Abate. He performed with many local bands and also has also his own jazz trio.

The Tony Roberts Quintet play



at Ilminster Arts Centre on Friday, March 10th at 8pm. Tickets are £14, and a pre-show supper is available for £14 at 7pm but must be pre-booked. For more details or to book visit www.themeetinghouse.org.uk, or call 01460 54973.

Textile Fair at Ilminster Arts Centre

ILMINSTER ART Centre's popular specialist Vintage Textile fair returns this month for its spring edition. The fair, which is curated by "Talent for Textiles", a group of vintage textile dealers, takes place on Wednesday, March 22nd.

Exhibits will include an enticing selection of antique and classic textiles, including British, European lace and linens, pretty decorative touches for the home, vintage buttons and haberdashery, and much more.

The fair will appeal to collectors, homemakers, and anyone who loves beautiful, distinctive fabrics with character and history.

Co-organiser Caroline Bushell says "We return to the Meeting House Arts Centre for our Spring fair bringing with us our best and most interesting textiles. The Arts Centre is a favourite venue for us, as its intimate scale makes it ideal for browsing and buying. We've forged many friendships there over the years!"

Stallholders are approachable and knowledgeable, and are always delighted to share their expertise and passion for textiles. Come along and enjoy the fun of the fair and don't forget the Gallery Café will be open too, serving tea, coffee and delicious light lunches.

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what's on this week...

<p>WHEN THE EYE HAD GONE Weds 8th & 15th March 8.00pm Full: £13.00 Concs: £12.00 Theatre of cricketing legend Colin 'Ollie' Milburn.</p>	<p>EMBRACE Thurs 9th March 8.00pm All tickets: £9.75 in advance online Film about body image</p>
<p>MARINE DISCO Friday 10th March 8.00pm follow MAD Events on Facebook</p>	
<p>OXLEY MEIER GUITAR PROJECT Saturday 11th March 8.00pm full price: £13.00 Concessions: £12.00 Guitar masters in action</p>	<p>JAZZ IN THE BAR: BILLIE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION Sun 12th March 8.00pm All tickets: £11.00 with Julie Dunn and Philip Clouts</p>

Box Office: Lyme Regis TIC 01297 442138
or buy online at www.marinetheatre.com

Please note that a 10% booking fee applies to all online and TIC bookings

Diary Dates

Prostate Cancer Support Group, invited to next meeting at Royal York & Faulkner Hotel, The Esplanade, Sidmouth, EX10 8AZ. 10am, free, partners welcome, just drop in. Part of www.nedpsa.org.uk Details: Terry 078 1173 3450

OFFWELL: Offwell Village Hall, EX14 9SB. Honiton Flower Club is hosting a flower arranging demonstration entitled Inspired by my Journey by Sheila Hadlow, Area Demonstrator. Doors open at 1.30pm for a 2.15pm start. Refreshments available. All welcome for a £5 admission fee. Details: 01404881298.

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10.00 am to 11.00 am. £2.50 for members/ £3.50 for non- members

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit - 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non- members.

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls. 2 - 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

SEATON: Gregs' Music Makers. Come along and enjoy music and play. At St. Gregory's Church Centre, Colyford Road, Seaton. 10am-11am. Babies and young ones, aged up to 4 years with their carers are welcome. Refreshments available. Come and enjoy friendship. Donations invited of £1 per family.

FRIDAY MARCH 10TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866.

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - 'Food on Friday', mid-day for 12.30pm start. Good two course meal + roll & butter and unlimited tea/coffee. Special diets can be catered for if requested in advance. Open to all ages; very friendly atmosphere; newcomers really welcomed, but please book places in advance by phoning June (01460 77057) or Jackie (01460 72324), who will also provide more information if required.

LYME REGIS: U3A Heritage Coast. 'The Victorian Head Gardener': a talk by Francis Burroughes. Discover the fascinating life of the Victorian country estate from the perspective of those 'on the ground'. Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, DT7 3PG. Coffee/tea from 10.00am talk at 11.00am. Free for members, suggested donation for talk £2 to non-members. More information about the U3A at website lymeregisu3a.org or phone 01297-444566.

AXMINSTER: Axminster Flower Club are holding a Workshop at the United Reform Church Rooms at 2.30pm Please phone Jackie Dadds (01460221315) or Pam Burge (0140443758) for more details. Beginners are very welcome.

HONITON: Honiton Art Society Meeting. Acrylic Landscape demonstration by Kate Cochrane. Awliscombe Village Hall, 2 to 4pm Visitors and new members very welcome. Visitors £4.

KILMINGTON: 'Seed Sowing, Pricking Out and Potting On' A practical and very informative talk for beginners and all those who enjoy growing their own plants from seed. Kilming-ton Garden Club, Kilmington village hall, Whitford Road Kilmington EX13 7RF 7.30pm Non members welcome £2.00

HONITON: Hospiscare Quiz night with Max Pipe. 6.30 For 7pm start. Mackeress Hall. Tickets £8 to include a cottage pie supper from Mary 01404 43196.

SEATON: Lent Lunches in Seaton. Please come along to the Coffees and Lent Lunches at the United Reformed Church Centre, Cross Street. 11am to 1.30pm. Soup, filled roll, dessert and drinks provided. Crafts and Traid-craft products for sale. Funds raised will help Refugees through the work of Christian Aid. Donations of £5 invited.

SATURDAY MARCH 11TH

SIDMOUTH: Dancing with the Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. Theme 'Springtime in all its Glory', at Stowford Centre (A3052). 8-11pm. Free parking. Bring your own snacks. Tea/coffee and biscuits provided. Pay on the door £6.

BEER: Beer Wurlitzer show at the Congregational Church, Fore Street. 2-4.30pm. Elizabeth Harrison, musician and entertainer, travelling from her home in Lancashire to present her varied musical repertoire. Everyone welcome. Entry £7 on the door, to include interval refreshments. For more details visit www.beerwurlitzer.co.uk or call 01297 24892.

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Deadline is Friday 4pm for the following Tuesday's publication. Please ensure dates are included for all listings - weekly listings without dates may not be published.

Folk, films and Sweet Honi at The Beehive

MARCH is whizzing by, we've already had two great shows with *LaLa Land* a sell out, and the fab Jay Rayner serving up a great audio visual treat with his *10 Food Commandments*.

View from
the beehive
with Wendy Van Der Plank

Next up is a brand new initiative, on Tuesday, March 7th Emma Kennedy and Gill Amos are welcoming anyone who wishes to come along to the Beehive café from 7-9pm for the first in a series of 'Death Cafés'. At a Death Café people meet in a safe, welcoming space to have a cuppa and cake whilst talking about mortality and all that goes with it. The aim is to overcome the taboo of talking about death, to share experience and listen to others. It's not morbid and Death Cafés can be very life affirming, sometimes there is sadness but they are supportive and even enjoyable! There is no agenda, anyone trying to lead discussions to any conclusion or sell anything. It is a respectful, supportive and confidential space and a discussion group rather than a grief support or counselling session. More information can be found at www.deathcafe.com

Sue Kings' lovely, friendly folk night is in the bar on Wednesday, March 8th and there are some great local singers appearing, this is free and anyone is welcome to come and listen or to play.

We are expecting a rip roaring evening with 'Jethro' on Friday, which is sold out, then on Saturday, March 11th at 7.30pm 'Sweet Honi' choir and the brilliant brass quintet, 'Brass Warriors' are collaborating to produce an amazing selection of songs, medleys and unusual arrangements for Andrew Hague's last concert as the choir's MD and conductor. Tickets are going very quickly so I'd advise you to book.

The incredibly talented Dave Myrre (founder member of Kneehigh theatre co.) is bringing his one man show, *The Odyssey* (Greek Stuff), without the boring bits, to the Beehive on Saturday 18th at 7.30pm. Do NOT miss this! It is extremely funny, fabulous theatre and if you only see one show this year, this should be it!

Kathryn Roberts and Sean Lake return to the Beehive on Saturday, March 25th at 8pm supported by Kitty McFarlane. They were so fab last time they came we had to get them back! Twice recent winners of the BBC Radio 2 Folk Award for Best Duo - 2016 & 2013 - the couple's intimacy and strength of passion on stage have won them many fans and an enviable reputation as 'Songwriters par excellence' (fRoots), whose greatly varied original songs cover such subjects as wicked mermaids, Norwegian legends, and a lonely whale.

Kitty also launched her touring career from the Beehive when we invited her to support Kathryn & Sean in 2015, she has been gig-

ging, singing and song writing ever since so we are delighted that she is coming back.

On Thursday, March 30th at 7.15pm Puccini's 'Madama Butterfly' will be streamed live from the Royal Opera House, it is one of the most popular of all operas, with ravishing music and a heart-breaking story of a loving geisha deserted by a callous American husband. Much loved soprano Ermonela Jaho sings the title role for the first time at Covent Garden, in Moshe Leiser and Patrice Chaurier's stunningly beautiful production. Sung in Italian with English subtitles.

Other screenings at The Beehive cinema include 'Lion' on Friday, March 17th at 7.30pm starring Dev Patel and Nicole Kidman, which is selling quickly. On Friday 24th 'Jackie' is a powerful depiction of the days immediately following the assassination of John F. Kennedy, seen through the eyes of his widow, flawlessly portrayed by Natalie Portman.

Personally I can't wait for Friday 31st March as the Noble Jacks who are a rip-roaring Alt-Folk band with roof raising energy, are coming to Honiton. These lads are going places, they were fantastic at Chagstock last summer with their mixture of folksy footstompin' rhythms and engaging lyricism. The band encompasses heartfelt, yet up tempo songs showcasing fiddle, blues harmonica and big anthem topline. We also have the lovely local singer songwriter Adam Sweet as the support act, so a great night in store for all!

For a complete contrast, on the Saturday, April 1st at 7.30pm we have 'No Finer Life', a play written by Graham Harvey (Agricultural Story Editor of The Archers and writer of more than 600 episodes), which brings to the stage the true tale of an unlikely Cotswold hero and an enduring romance. What inspires a young Somerset land girl to set off in search of a bestselling author in the darkest days of war? The story moves between the 1940s and the current day, reflecting that the love of the countryside, the need to protect it and issues of national identity, are timeless.

The show features new live music composed and performed by Alastair Collingwood, who has written scores for numerous theatre and TV shows. Graham Harvey will be taking part in an after-show conversation - where he will discuss the issues in the play...and all things Ambridge!

What a lovely selection, I'm enjoying March already! Do join us at The Beehive and to see more info check out our website www.beehivehoniton.co.uk where you can often see trailers, pop in & grab a flyer or join our database for our monthly newsletter and any updates.

Happy times, Wendy

Top mezzo-soprano to give Concerts in the West performance

AN OUTSTANDING mezzo-soprano will be taking centre stage at the second of Concerts in the West's 2017 concert series tour. Clare McCaldin has a powerful creative influence and tremendous presence both on the opera stage and concert platform, which she will be demonstrating in full at performances in Lower Pulworthy (Devon), Bridport and Ilminster in March 2017.

Clare's diverse career encompasses a busy concert schedule and she has worked with pianists such as Libby Burgess, Iain Burnside, Andrew West and Paul Turner. She is committed to chamber music collaborations and has undertaken commissions with the Brodsky Quartet, Walton's Facade, La Rejouissance and Le Page Ensemble.

In operatic repertoire she has sung a wide range of parts, including Fox (The Cunning Little Vixen), Meg Page (Falstaff), Oreste (La Belle Helene) and Dorabella Orszo (Hary Janos). In concert, Clare has sung with the Academy of Ancient Music, Philharmonia Orchestra, Die Kölner Akademie, the Northern Sinfonia, the choir of King's College, The Three Choirs Festival, Barokksolis-

tene, the Orchestra of the Golden Age and the Northern Chamber Orchestra. She made her solo debut at the 2012 BBC Proms in Debussy's Martyrdom of St Sebastian with the BBCSO/Knussen, which also opened the 2014 Edinburgh International Festival.

Clare will be accompanied by Libby Burgess, a pianist, who is dedicated to song and chamber music. Libby collaborates regularly with some of the finest singers and instrumentalists of her generation and is Artistic Director of New Paths, a major festival of concerts and education events, launched in April 2016 in Yorkshire. Libby was an organ scholar at Christ Church, Oxford, where she took a first in music. She has won numerous prizes, as well as the DipRAM for her postgraduate accompaniment studies at the Royal College of Music.

Clare McCaldin plays at Ilminster Arts Centre at

The Meeting House, East Street, Ilminster TA19 0AN on Friday, March 17th at 8pm. Tickets are £15, and a pre-show supper is available at 7pm but must be pre-booked. For bookings or more details call the box office on 01460 55783 or visit www.themeetinghouse.org.uk



Clare McCaldin

Merrie England

WELL-KNOWN tenor Leslie Baker and a group of friends from Seaton Choral Society will present a concert of excerpts from Edward German's 'Merrie England' on Sunday, March 19th.

This delightful work follows in the tradition of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas in being light-hearted, tuneful, rhythmically energetic and with words cleverly set so that they can be heard - not always a feature of opera! It deals (imaginatively!) with the amours at the court of that most popular monarch, Queen Elizabeth I, and includes many a well-known tune such as 'The Yeomen of England' and 'O peaceful England'. At the piano will be that most excellent of accompanists, Michele Banting.

This will be the fourth "Baker Cream Tea Concert" in the series that has become a feature of early spring at The Gateway in Seaton. Previous sell-outs suggest it would be wise to book in advance.

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PRAISED as the 'First Lady of Song', Ella Fitzgerald was a much loved jazz singer who applied her impeccable vocal style to many of the tunes which have become known as the 'Great American Songbook'.

This year is the centenary of her birth and is celebrated at Seaton's Gateway on Friday, March 24th by vocalist Maggie Reeday who has made TV appearances and sung with the BBC Radio Orchestra together with internationally renowned pianist Philip Clouts and his trio.

Expect to hear many favourites including 'How High the Moon' and 'The Lady is a Tramp'. Ella Fitzgerald needs no introduction, as she was one of the most successful and well known singers of jazz, blues and standards of the Great American Songbook. She was noted for her purity of tone, impeccable phrasing and intonation, and her 'scat' singing. She found initial musical success with the Chick Webb Orchestra with her first hit 'A Tisket A Tasket'. She then went on to build an extremely successful international solo career, but she was also well known for her landmark musical collaborations with Louis Armstrong and Duke Ellington.

Maggie Reeday is one of the country's finest vocalists who have an engaging style with the audience, and a wonderful sense of fun. During her career she has worked with some of the greatest international jazz musicians. She has appeared on both television and radio in a variety of shows and has sung for the Scottish Radio Orchestra and the BBC Radio Orchestra.

She is accompanied by the Philip Clouts Trio featuring Jim Rintoul on double bass and Gary Evans on drums. Philip is originally from Cape Town, then after living in London and building a career that has included recordings and appearances at Ronnie Scott's, Glastonbury and Womad Festivals, he is now based in Dorset. He has three critically acclaimed CD's to his name The Hour of Pearl, Sennen Cove and his most recent, Umoya.

The Ella Fitzgerald Centenary Show on Friday, March 24th at The Gateway, Seaton promises to be a great swinging evening of jazz and popular standards associated with 'The First Lady of Song'.

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Diary Dates

SATURDAY MARCH 11TH

NORTON-SUB-HAMDON: Spring Jumble Sale at Norton-Sub-Hamdon Village Hall. Doors open 11am. Admission 30p. Loads of bargains. New/nearly new clothes, bedding, curtains, books, bric-a-brac, toys and much more. Refreshments, raffle. Everyone welcome. Come and pick up a bargain. All proceeds to hall funds. For more details call 01935881718.

AXMINSTER: Beginners Tai Chi Bang workshop at Weycroft Bridge, EX13 7LN. 10 to 2.30pm. This is an easy to learn tai chi set suitable for beginners. It may also be practised seated for people less mobile. Great fun to learn and provides lots of health benefits. Contact Allan on 01297 32095 for further information.

DONYPAT: One Plus One Carnival Club of Ilminster are holding a Cash prize bingo at Donyatt Bowling Club on March 11th, raising funds for this years entry. Refreshments and a raffle available. The Bingo room will open from 7pm for eyes down at 8pm.

UPLYME: Jumble Sale and Coffee Morning at Uplyme Village Hall. 11am-1pm. Free entry. Books, games, toys, DVDs, bric-a-brac, refreshments, cakes and much more!

LODERS, BRIDPORT: West Dorset Group of the SDFHS meeting at Lodgers Village Hall, 2.00. Roy Stockdill will talk about 'Celebrities with Dorset Roots' including Judi Dench, Ricky Gervais, Kate Winslet and Emma Chambers. All welcome, members £1.50, visitors £3.00 includes tea and biscuits. For more details contact Jane on 01308 425710 or email: jferentzi@aol.com

SUNDAY MARCH 12TH

COLYFORD: Indoor Boot Sale at Colyford Memorial Hall. 9am-2pm. £5 a table. For more details call 01297 23591.

SOUTH PETHERTON: Soft Cheese Making Course with Louise Talbot from Cutting the Curd, 9.45am - 2.30pm. Frogmary Green Farm, South Petherton, TA13 5DJ. 01460 242775

CREWKERNE: Arts @ St Bart's present a Clarinet Spectacular with Dave White, at St Bartholomew's Church, 3pm. Tickets £8 (£10 on the door) to include refreshments. Bar available. Tickets from Crewkerne Town Hall or Liz on 01460 271767.

HONITON: East Devon Carnivals AGM at Methodist Church, Chapel Street, 7.30pm.

MONDAY MARCH 13TH

MISTERTON: Bingo at Misterton Village Hall. Doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Every Monday.

HONITON: Honiton Art Society Meeting. Critique by Phil Creek, Awliscombe Village Hall, 2 to 4pm. Visitors and new members always welcome. Visitors £4

BEER: Beer Film Society presents 'I, Daniel Blake'. Doors 7pm for 7.30pm. Members £3.50, non-members £5. All welcome. Drinks, bar and raffle.

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre - 9.40 to 10.40am and 10.45 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non-members. Transport available for second session, ring Centre to book.

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 7 - 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

TUESDAY MARCH 14TH

SIDMOUTH: East Devon Organ Club at Primley Road Church Hall (EX10 9LH). Paul Roberts will perform at 2.30pm.

CHARD: Chard Royal Naval Association will be holding a first for them when they dine out the Captain and Executive Officer of HMS Somerset in the Lord Leaze Hotel at 7.30pm. The association has asked to have an association with the ship and having been accepted they decided to host the dinner in recognition and to thank Commander Tim Berry and his ships company.

CHARD: Chard WI meeting at Chard Baptist Church Rooms, Holyrood Street TA20 2AH. Musical evening starts 7.30. Call Johanna on 01460 68133 for more information. Meetings first Tuesday of every month.

BROADWAY: Ile Valley Flower Club at Broadway Village Hall. Demonstrator Diane Norman demonstrating Japanese Ikebana. Start 7.30pm. Visitors and new members welcome.

CREWKERNE: Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help provided. 10.00 am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For

Beer Horticultural Society's table top sale

BEER HORTICULTURAL Society fundraising events for 2017 continue with the second of eight Table Top Sales taking place throughout the year, in the

Mariners Hall, Beer on Saturday, March 11th. All proceeds from these sales will go towards the entry into Britain In Bloom 2017, as well as planting and

maintenance of floral displays in and around the village. All displays are planted, watered and maintained by volunteers and extra helpers with this are very welcome, as are new members to the Society. Anyone wishing to help in any way should contact Ursula Makepeace at Pegasus Cottage, Fore Street, Beer.

The Table Top Sales are being held on a monthly

basis, with a break in July and August for the Annual Flower Show Week. Table hire is £6 for one, or £10 for two. Doors are open to the public from 9am - 12.30, sellers from 8am and refreshments are available from 9am -noon. To book a table, call Audrey on 01297-20048. The date for the next sale is Saturday April 15th and table bookings are being taken now.

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CREWKERNE: Henhayes Knitters at Henhayes Centre. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

COLYTON: Friends of Colyton Library Author Event with East Devon based crime writer Graham Hurley at Colyton Peace Memorial Hall at 7pm. Tickets £7.50 to include refreshments available from Colyton and Seaton libraries and The Little Shop, Colyton.

COLYFORD: Cash Bingo at Colyford Hall 7.45pm in aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare @ Home. Ample parking Please come and support this very worthy cause.

BRIDPORT: Bridport History Society, United Church Hall, East St. Bridport, 2.30. Eric Galvin will talk about 'Joseph Clark a popular Victorian artist and his world' Joseph was from Cerne Abbas. All welcome, members £1.00, visitors £2.50. For more details contact Jane on 01308 425710 or email: jferentzi@aol.com

WEDNESDAY MARCH 15TH

SEATON: Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit www.jurassicfolkandjam.com

SEATON: Seaton and District Probus Club. Talk by Richard Holliday: History of Garton & Kings - Exeter's Oldest Business. 10 am at Seaton Methodist Church small hall. The club is open to retired or semi-retired men over 55. New members/prospective members welcome - come and give us a try. Please contact Stephen Lord on 01297 21872 for more information.

SEATON: Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway. Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5. All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk for more details

CHARDSTOCK: Gardening Club. Talk 'Designing with Plants' by RHS award-winning garden designer Marion Dale. How to create a specific 'look' in your garden by choosing plants to suit the situation. 7.30pm, Chardstock Community Hall. Everyone welcome. Non-members £2 at the door. Enquiries: 01460 221619.

CREWKERNE: Bingo at Henhayes Centre - £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games - "eyes down" at 2.30pm. Bar open, refreshments available, raffle.

COLYFORD: Axe Valley Centre National Trust, Talk on "Knightsayes" by Kate Churchill (House Manager). Colyford Memorial Hall 2.30pm. Non-members welcome £2.00 including refreshments.

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UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society outing to National Trust's Kingston Lacy. We hope the snowdrops will still be in full bloom, there will be a guided tour of the house and garden laid on, so plenty to see and do whatever the weather. The coach leaves Uplyme Village Hall at 9 am - for National Trust members the cost is £12, non-members £21. If you are not a member of ULRHS you are still welcome for an extra £3. Please ring Jenny Harding on 01297 444034 to book your place, as son as possible so that numbers can be finalised.

THURSDAY MARCH 16TH

EXETER: Families for Children Trust is a Specialist Adoption Agency and charitable trust based in the South West, meeting at Kenn Centre, Exeter Road, Kennford EX6 7UE. 2-4pm. People can learn about becoming an adopter and how we can support you for life.

CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Folk Dance Club 8-10pm at St Bartholomew's Church Hall. Every Thursday. Entry £3.50, but first visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 75760.

Nicky Sweetland's

Showtime

ON THE SHOWBIZ BEAT

Time to turn the mobiles off, theatregoers

MY THEATRICAL enjoyment was once again hampered this week by the scourge of the mobile phone.

It comes in a week when the government has introduced stiffer penalties for those using their phone while driving and I think we should all take a long hard look at our need for almost constant engagement with the digital world.

Those of you who know me well, will have noticed that I'm a bit of a slave to social media and I hate missing emails or messages, however I would never have my phone on in the car and would die of embarrassment if it ever went off in the theatre.

During a media night performance of *Wicked* last week the couple sitting in front of me intermittently checked their social media throughout the performance, which was hugely dis-

tracting for those around them.

We are not talking about the sound of ringing or even the odd ping of a message (which most people thankfully now understand to be inappropriate) but instead a continuous influx of light pollution, which detracted from the carefully crafted ambience.

What many people don't realise is that your phone acts as a spotlight when you're in the theatre, so everyone on stage and around the auditorium can see you.

In fact, when I perched in an onstage seat at a recent performance of *This House* at the Garrick Theatre, one particular numpty was lit up like a carnival float for most of Act one, as she couldn't bear to be away from her phone.

It's generally not young people who are the main cul-

prits either, and I just wish we could fine the perpetrators and use the money to pay for those less fortunate to attend in their stead.

I know hundreds of people who simply can't afford to see West End shows and yet night after night there are rude and selfish people who buy tickets and then don't pay attention to the production.

Someone once told me that they had a family emergency and so they had to keep the phone on just in case the situation changed. If you've got a family emergency, why the devil are you going to the theatre in the first place?

Worse than that, at my most recent visit to the Arts Theatre for a press performance, a reviewer who was sitting next to me kept lighting up to check messages throughout. I scowled at



■ Ralf Little and Kate Fleetwood star in the harrowing *Ugly Lies the Bone* at the National Theatre
Photo by Mark Douet

him, but he didn't take the hint.

I have previously simply told people to turn their phones off, but you are never sure if you're going to be greeted with an angry response, so I've become more careful recently.

It's not just phones that cause anger among regular theatregoers and this week the issue of whether food should be allowed has been a hot topic.

Imelda Staunton hit the headlines last year by saying food should be banned from the theatre and this week the producers of her latest play, *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf* at the Harold Pinter Theatre have granted her wish.

An article on The Stage's website (www.thestage.co.uk) claims that in an email to ticket bookers, Ambassador Theatre Group – which operates the Harold Pinter – said

no food would be allowed to be eaten during the show.

"Out of consideration for the actors and for fellow audience members, we ask that no food be consumed during the performance," it said.

I don't want to discourage people from going to the theatre, but if you can't manage a couple of hours without eating or checking your phone, well in my opinion, you shouldn't be there.

As you can gather, it really gets my goat and the stage world has been filled with discussions over the best course of action for a long time.

Right, that's my rant over.

I didn't let the phone issue ruin my time in the capital and I had a busy week filled with theatre outings, which included another trip to see *Wicked* (awesome as usual) a visit to the Apollo to see Tom Stoppard's *Travesties* (a bit above me!) and my first ever visit to the National

Theatre to see a play called *Ugly Lies the Bone*, which was pretty harrowing stuff.

I also auditioned for my latest local stage foray and I will let you know if I was successful in due course.

Next week I'm off to see *The Diary of a Teenage Girl* at Southwark Playhouse and as I'm a custodian of a female adolescent, I'm approaching it with trepidation.

I'll also have the pleasure of seeing Harry Potter star Daniel Radcliffe on stage at the Old Vic, which is very exciting and I've got a few celebrity interviews on the cards.

You can read all of my reviews and interviews on our websites londonnewsonline.co.uk and viewnews.co.uk or you can follow me on Twitter for regular updates @NickySweetland



■ Eating has been banned during performances of Imelda Staunton's new play



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Bowditch Farm Lodge, a former holiday let, is a pretty timber clad property set deep in the picturesque Yarty Valley. Currently surrounded by wild spring flowers, tranquillity is in abundance, with all rooms looking out to the rolling green countryside. The three bedroom dwelling is spacious and light, and offers buyers the chance to adapt and expand. With 0.47 of an acre and a useful timber barn, the property is being guided at £180,000 - £200,000.

Fourways in Alston is generating a good deal of interest being a three bedroom former fruit farm with outbuildings and 4.40 acres. It sits in a peaceful rural location surrounded by its own land with a mixture of broadleaf woodland, conifers and old fruit cages. In need of full modernisation, it is offered at £400,000 - £450,000.

1 Livingstone Villas in Chard is being guided at £180,000 - £200,000, giving buyers the chance to own a substantial Victorian property. Set over three floors, the period house comprises four bedrooms, two reception rooms and two bathrooms with a pleasant lawned garden to the rear.

The final property in the auction is Tindle House, formerly the Pulmans Weekly News building, in Axminster. Currently arranged as offices over two floors, it is thought suitable for various uses (subject to planning). Requiring modernisation, the property is guided at £150,000.

In the same auction, there are four lots of productive pasture land with an excellent general purpose farm



building for sale, unusually situated in the middle of Wootton Fitzpaine village. Offering potential for future development (STPP), the land has areas of coppice, two streams and is bordered by mature hedges and trees. Lot A - 5.36 acres at £50,000, Lot B - 9.14 acres at £80,000, Lot C - 10.21 acres with farm building at £95,000 and Lot D - 23 acres at £180,000.

A few top tips for buying at auction:

1. Arrange to see the property well before the day
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5 TIPS FOR CENTRAL HEATING

By Julia Gray, Press Association

1. The size of your home, especially the number of bathrooms or shower rooms you have, and how much heating and hot water your household uses, will largely determine your choice of boiler. There are three main types of boiler: regular, system and combi. Regular boilers need a cylinder (to store hot water) and tanks. System boilers also need a hot-water cylinder, which allows them to feed several outlets, such as taps and showers, at the same time, but they don't need tanks.

2. Combis are a popular choice, as you only have to find room for the boiler itself - there are no tanks or cylinder, although some combis have a built-in tank, which gives the higher flow rate needed in a bigger property. Combis heat water on demand, so you only pay for what you use, and they deliver it at mains pressure. Combis are most suitable for homes with one bathroom/shower room, although they can work in homes with two, providing they're powerful enough. If you have more bathrooms than that, a combi probably isn't suitable.

3. If you're renovating a property that hasn't been updated in decades, it may be necessary to change the whole central heating system. A new boiler, cylinder, radiators and adjustable radiator valves should make a big difference to how good - and efficient - the system is, but don't overlook the

pipework. If the central heating system is gravity fed and you're switching to a pressurised system, the pipework will be under pressure for the first time and may leak as a result. Old copper pipework may not be done to today's standards and may even be leaking without you knowing, so leaving it in place can be a false economy. Most plumbers now use plastic pipework where it can't be seen, such as under floorboards, because it's quicker and easier to fit than copper. They should use copper where it can be seen, such as radiator pipes, and close to the boiler, where it's too hot for plastic.

4. If your boiler has a hot-water cylinder, you may want to get rid of it by fitting a combi, or relocate the cylinder, as new cylinders are often a different shape and size to old ones. This could free up space in your bathroom for a shower cubicle where the airing cupboard/cylinder was, for example. Old boilers also tend to be large, but many new ones aren't and some are so small that they fit in a kitchen wall unit, saving space and giving the kitchen a neater look because the boiler's hidden.

5. Think about any big home improvements, such as an extension or loft conversion, you may make in future and how this will impact on the boiler. Will the existing boiler be able to comfortably supply more radiators and bathrooms, or will you need a new one? If there's a tank for the boiler in the loft and you're planning to convert the loft, the tank will probably have to be changed to one that fits in the eaves' storage, so a boiler without tanks may be better.



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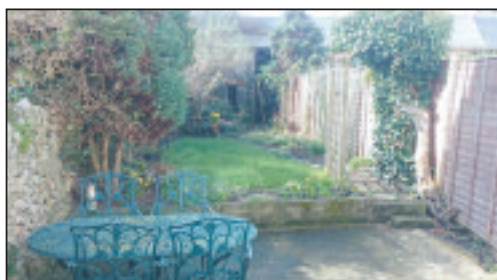
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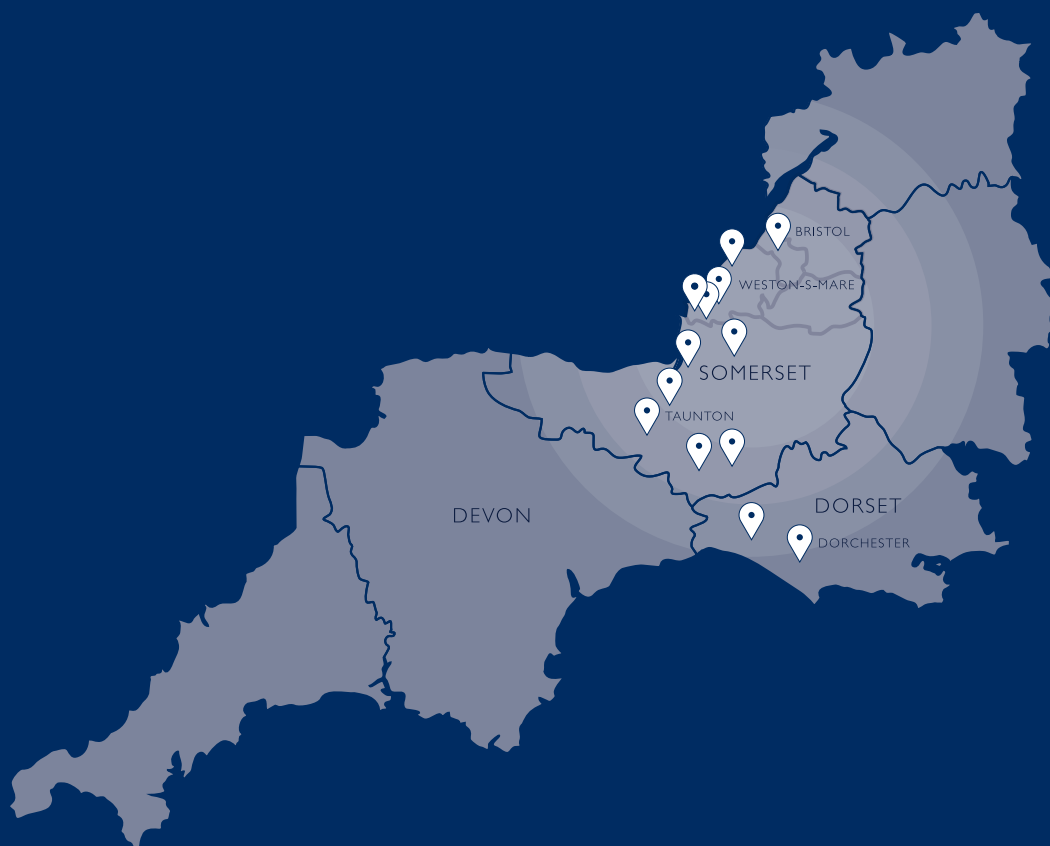
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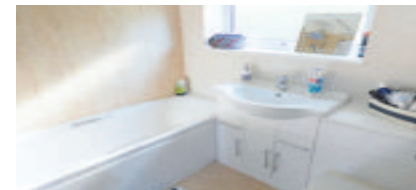
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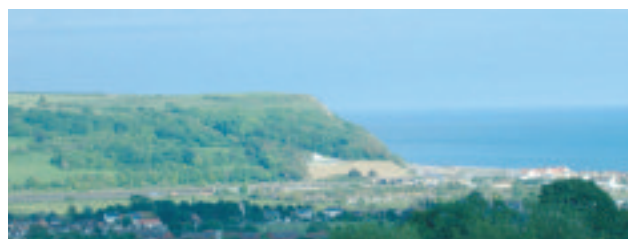
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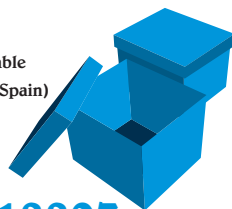
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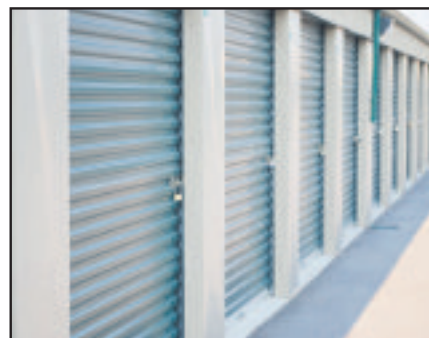


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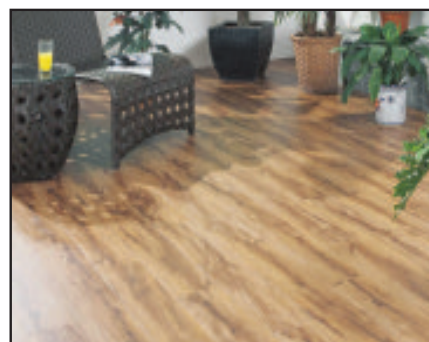


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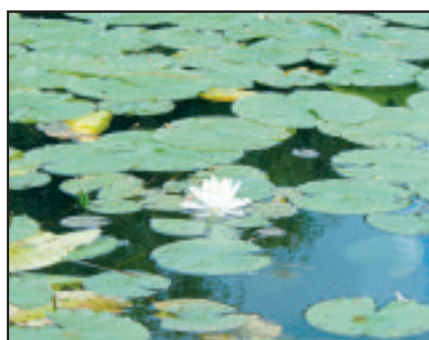
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Range highlights include the all-new 1.5-litre Turbo petrol model priced from £17,115 on-the-road. For Sports Tourer customers, prices start from £18,615 on-the-road for the entry-level estate model. The range-topping 2.0-litre (260PS) 4X4 petrol, another all-new powertrain, is available in Elite Nav trim from £26,455 on-the-road.

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The new E-Class Cabriolet

THE new Cabriolet is the fifth and youngest member of Mercedes-Benz's E-Class family, which has been renewed entirely within the space of one year. At the same time, the brand with the star is continuing its tradition of high-calibre cabriolets with a classic fabric soft top. "The passion for extraordinary vehicles, which we share with our customers, is reflected in our new E-Class Cabriolet in a unique way. It is a car that lets people enjoy comfort and luxury in the open air," says Britta Seeger, Member of the Board of Management at Daimler AG with responsibility for Mercedes-Benz Cars Marketing & Sales.

When the soft top is up, the E-Class Cabriolet has a silhouette similar to that of the E-Class Coupé. The close ties between the two models are apparent in their shared design language, with the emphasis on surfaces with clean lines.

A striking front section with a low-positioned diamond radiator grille and centrally located star, LED High Performance headlamps (or optional high-resolution MULTIBEAM LED headlamps), a drawn-out bonnet with power-domes and fully retractable side

windows underline the dynamic looks of the Cabriolet. The tail lights resemble the glow given off by a jet engine. As a new feature, the tail lights also put on a special show for the driver when they approach or leave the car.

A visual entity comprising anodised, polished aluminium (AMG Line in matt aluminium) is created by the trim frame on the A-pillar and front windscreen along

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Pricing revealed for the new MINI Cooper S E Countryman All4

THE MINI brand's first plug-in hybrid model will hit British roads in 2017 – the new all-rounder for town and country now offers the option of purely electric driving with zero tailpipe emissions.

Available to order from today, the new MINI Cooper S E Countryman ALL4 will

launch on 24th June 2017 and is priced from £31,585 OTR. On the road pricing does not include the government plug-in car grant.

The first plug-in hybrid model in the MINI product range offers sporty agility on the road as well as competency beyond the asphalt thanks to

its intelligent all-wheel drive system. The MINI Cooper S E Countryman ALL4 hybrid system is made up of a 3-cylinder petrol engine with MINI TwinPower Turbo Technology and a synchronous electric motor. Together they generate a system output of 165 kW/224 hp enabling the car to sprint from standing to 62mph in 6.8 seconds.

The power of the combustion engine is transmitted to the front wheels via a 6-speed Steptronic transmission, while the electric motor powers the rear wheels. The intelligently controlled interaction between the two power units creates an all-wheel drive system that optimises agility and stability on the road as well as providing supreme traction over snow and unsurfaced terrain.

In everyday traffic the intelligent drive control of the MINI Cooper S E Countryman ALL4 makes for an intense hy-

brid driving experience. When setting off, only the electric motor is initially active meaning a virtually noiseless start. As is typical of electric motors, the entire torque is available from standing. Once a driving speed of 50mph is reached, the combustion engine is gently activated. The eDRIVE toggle switch enables the driver to continue to drive with only the electric engine beyond this point if preferred: in MAX eDRIVE mode the MINI Cooper S E Countryman ALL4 runs at up to 78mph free of local emissions. The electric range of the first MINI plug-in hybrid model is 25 miles.

The energy required for this is stored in a high-voltage lithium-ion battery. It can be charged at a conventional household socket or, for increased power input and reduced waiting times, at a wallbox or public charging station. Charging takes between

2:15 and 3:15 hours.

The efficiency and pulling power of the electric motor, its cleverly controlled interaction with the combustion engine and the premium quality and reliability of all components of the hybrid system is the result of the BMW Group's eDRIVE technology. The high-voltage battery comes with a warranty which lasts for six years or 60,000 miles.

The MINI Cooper S E Countryman ALL4 combines its progressive drive system with the versatile space concept and hallmark brand style of the latest MINI model range. The battery is housed underneath the rear seat and flat load boot floor, minimising drawbacks to boot space and leg room. The luggage compartment volume of the hybrid model is 405 litres, which can be extended to as much as 1275 litres with the rear backrests folded down.

The new MINI Cooper SE Countryman ALL4 comes with a range of high quality standard equipment. This includes the MINI's acclaimed Satellite Navigation System, Bluetooth, Cruise Control, Emergency E-call and Active Guard among other features. 6-speed Steptronic automatic transmission, the MINI Driving Modes and three spoke sports steering wheel are also offered as standard.

In addition to model-specific design elements such as the "E" emblem on the radiator grille and side scuttles as well as door sill finishers with a yellow "S" logo, the 17-inch light alloy wheels in Light Spoke design are another distinguishing feature exclusive to the model. Inside, hybrid-specific displays and the eDRIVE toggle switch indicate the distinctive character of the MINI Cooper S E Countryman ALL4.



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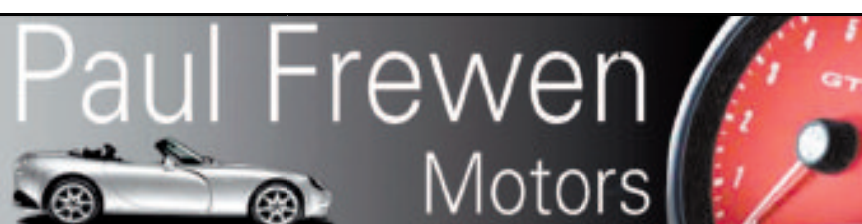


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D&E Premier (28) Pld Pts	
Honiton Town	20 52
Newtown	20 51
Elmore	19 45
Okehampton Argyle	21 36
Heavitree Utd	17 32
Topsham Town	20 31
Seaton Town	20 28
Beer Albion	18 27
Feniton	20 27
Exmouth Amateurs	20 24
Upottery	24 24
Clyst Valley	21 21
Newton St Cyres	22 17
Hatherleigh Town	24 16
Bow AAC	20 4

D&E Div 1 (20) Pld Pts	
Cronies FC	16 44
Exeter University Res	16 29
Sidmouth Town Res	16 28
Exmouth Town Res	16 26
Wetheridge Reserves	13 24
Lyme Regis	16 23
Colyton	16 23
Wellington Reserves	16 15
Alphington Reserves	16 14
Willand Rovers Res	19 14
Bickleigh	16 6

D&E Div 2 (26) Pld Pts	
Lapford	18 45
Cullompton Rang Res	19 43
Heavitree Utd Res	17 34
Chagford	18 32
University 3rds	17 32
Exmouth Utd	20 31
Dawlish Utd	20 29
Woodbury	18 27
Dawlish Town	19 22
Tipton St John	20 22
Halwill	18 21
Newtown Reserves	21 20
Lymington	19 16
Budleigh Salt Res	24 14

D&E Div 3 (20) Pld Pts	
PERRY STREET	16 41
Exeter Univ 4ths	17 40
Bampton	18 36
AXMINSTER TOWN RES	17 33
East Budleigh	20 29
Honiton Town Res	18 29
Tedburn St Mary	20 23
Newton Poppleford	18 21
Exmouth Amat Res	19 17
Clyst Valley Reserves	18 16
Culm Utd	19 4

D&E Div 4 (24) Pld Pts	
Kentisbeare	18 50
Thorvorton	18 47
Uplowman Athletic	22 45
Ottery St Mary	23 36
Exeter Univ 5ths	20 34
Sandford	20 27
Countess Wear Dyn	19 27
Priory	18 26
Pinhoe	20 23
Ottertton	20 21
Morchard Bishop	22 15*
St Martins Reserves	18 11
Sampford Peverell	20 7

D&E Div 5 (24) Pld Pts	
Royal Oak	19 55
Crediton Utd Res	17 44
Whipton & Pinhoe	19 40
Winchester	18 40
Millwey Rise	21 34
South Zeal Utd	20 22
Starcross Generals	20 19
Feniton Reserves	19 19
Beer Albion Reserves	18 19
North Tawton	18 18
Newton St Cyres	19 17
Alphington 3rds	20 14
Awliscombe Utd	18 11

Axminster Town 7 Budleigh Salterton 1

SW Peninsula Div One (E)

AXMINSTER Town carried their spirited second half showing from the 4-2 midweek Hospital cup defeat at Chard Town into Saturday's visit of Budleigh Salterton and produced their biggest win of the season in Jon Hurford's first league game in charge.

With Dan Clay unavailable, Hurford handed the skipper's armband to Callum Garrett and the midfielder responded with a fine performance in a good all-round team display with two superb left footed strikes form outside the area.

The Tigers took the lead in the 14th minute through Sam Dibbling but the visitors got themselves level midway through a cagey first half that saw Elliot Dyer forced off in the 20th minute with a foot injury having kicked the bottom of an opponents boot.

But Garrett's first in the 44th minute gave Ax a slender advantage at the interval and they went from strength to strength in a much improved second half showing.

Strikes from Luke Finn and Aaron Daniels, who put in another stylish performance on the right flank, and Ben Vine put the Tigers away and clear by the hour mark. Daniels netted his second with a low drive that flashed into the net off the inside of a post in the 79th minute.

But the best was saved till last when Garrett launched a 20-yarder that flew into the top corner seven minutes from time. Budleigh finished the game with nine men after having two players dismissed for bad tackles.

A delighted Hurford told PULMAN'S Sport: "It was a pretty even first half but we discussed upping the tempo and intensity at half time and the lads went on the put in a faultless performance in the second half."

Hurford was impressed by Garrett and youngster Daniels: "He has a fantastic attitude to the game," said the Tigers interim boss.

Axminster head off to take on bottom-of-the-table Exwick Villa next Saturday.

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE

Match reports

Whipton & Pinhoe 3 Millwey Rise 1

Division Five

ALL of last week's euphoria soon dissipated in a game lashed by strong winds, blustery showers and some disappointing football from Millwey writes *Dick Stutch*.

Although Chris Lusby went close in the first 10 minutes, and Nick Land hit the crossbar, this was as close as they came to upset the first half dominance of the home side.

Nathan Hoole in the Millwey goal was called upon to make several last ditch saves to keep the game scoreless at the break.

But Whipton & Pinhoe took the lead two minutes after the break from a powerful strike by Aaron Street.

Worse was to follow 10 min-

utes later when a free kick from just outside the area was deflected off a defender giving Hoole no chance.

The hosts continued to press and, after missing several chances, finally got their third from a solo effort from Max Bede-Croft.

The best moment for Millwey came in the final minutes when defender Matt Lewis got on the end of a Sam Burke cross and placed a powerful header past the home keeper to claw a goal back.

But Whipton & Pinhoe deserved the win.

They were strong, fast and better organised than a disjointed Millwey side whose back four found themselves under constant pressure and, but for some timely interceptions by Matt and Haydn Lewis and Zak Meaker, defeat would have been by an even greater margin.

Beer Albion Reserves 4 North Tawton 1

Division Five

BEER Albion Reserves clawed their way up to ninth place with a comfortable 4-1 win against North Tawton at the Furzebrake on Saturday writes *Richard Honnor*.

The showery, blustery conditions did not make for a great spectacle but the game was played in a good spirit with plenty of endeavour and it was the Fishermen who had the cutting edge on the day.

Beer started the game strongly, minutes Jack White intercepted a poor pass in the seventh minute but his shot was scrambled around the post by the North Tawton keeper.

From the resulting corner Ollie Page opened Beer's account from 15 yards.

A rout seemed possible when five minutes later left back Steve Howe surged past two defenders and his speculative shot from the edge of the area effort slipped through the visiting keeper's fingers.

But Beer rested on their laurels, allowing their opponents back into the game and the visitors were unlucky not to score on 26 minutes when a looping header hit the crossbar and then again on 31 minutes when keeper Henry Bartlett saved with his legs after the Fishermen were caught square.

The second half started as lethargically as the first half had finished with neither side being able to dominate the proceedings.

But Beer eventually extended their lead on the hour mark when White produced a fine cross from the left wing which found Newbury unmarked at the far post and the Beer striker headed home.

The Fishermen at long last provided some urgency to the proceedings and midfielder Alex Paget, who had a fine game, scored Beer's fourth goal after a neat exchange of passes with Adam Brewer.

But back came North Tawton and the visitors went close with long range efforts on a couple of

occasions before scoring a deserved late consolation goal, a fine strike from Tom Williams on 88 minutes.

Man-of-the-match was Howe, whilst midfielder Alex Osman caught the eye for North Tawton.

The Fishermen's Reserves are at home next Saturday with a Division 5 encounter against Crediton United Reserves. Kick off is 3 pm and the match sponsor is *Chapples of Beer Beach*.

Round-up

CRONIES FC and Firewatch Devon Senior cup holders EXETER UNIVERSITY will have to go again after their semi final at Topsham Town's ground was abandoned at 90 minutes with the score 2-2.

Neither side was happy with the decision but the referee declared the pitch unsound. Jamie Fanson and Mike Benyon were the Cronies scorers with Max Foster getting both for the students. It is expected the tie will be replayed next Saturday.

Both HONITON TOWN and NEWTOWN were beaten by the weather in the Premier Division.

The postponements were a bonus for third place ELMORE who beat TOPSHAM TOWN 2-0 to move on the top two's heels. Lee Woodman and Jordan O'Leary were the Eagles' marksmen.

UPOTTERY enjoyed an entertaining 6-3 win at home to neighbours FENITON, Upottery were twice behind, but came good with goals from Sam Winslade (2), Mark Tucker, Jay Cross, Jamie Gorton and Tom Edwards. Ben Ede, Paul Dowling and Dave O'Connor replied for Fenny.

There were even more goals at NEWTON ST CYRES whose improvement continued in a hectic game at home where they beat CLYST VALLEY 6-4.

SEATON TOWN plunged HATHERLEIGH TOWN deeper into trouble as they edged the North Devon side 2-1.

LYME REGIS hopes of promotion to Premier were diluted after they went down to goals in each half from Will Jenkins and Ollie Turton in a 2-0 defeat at third placed SIDMOUTH TOWN. Rob Fellingham had a penalty saved by Vikings keeper Adam Barrett just before half time.

COLYTON may also be out of the race as they were beaten 2-1 at WELLINGTON TOWN a result which takes the Tangerines out of immediate danger.

The UNIVERSITY smashed THORVERTON'S unbeaten record in Division Four with a 3-2 win that allowed KENTISBEARE to go top after they squeezed home 1-0 against a battling OTTERTON ST MARY. James Davis was the matchwinner.

UPLOWMAN ATHLETIC still need a couple more points to claim a top three slot after being held 1-1 at OTTERTON. Brian Redwood rescued Uplowman.

In Division Five the ROYAL OAK are almost home and dry after a 3-1 win at neighbours ALPHINGTON whose cause was not helped by an own goal. Dan



■ MATCH ACTION: Axminster defender Elliot Dyer pictured before he was forced off with a foot injury in Saturday's 7-1 win over Budleigh Salterton. Photo by ANDREW GRAHAM

Melluish and Nathan May also scored.

The bottom team AWLISCOMBE UNITED won just their third match 3-0 at nearby FENITON, but their plight looks lost.

WINKLEIGH won the big match in Division Six the leaders beating third place HEMYOCK 2-0.

UPOTTERY won 3-0 with goals from Brad Morris, Owen McCreadie-Taylor and Gavin Richards at NEWTON POPPLEFORD, but were kept waiting for the Division Eight title as BRAVEHEARTS won their match against LAPFORD 1-0.

RESULTS

FIREWATCH DEVON FA SENIOR CUP SEMI-FINAL

Cronies 2, University of Exeter 2. MACRON DEVON & EXETER PREMIER

Elmore 2, Topsham Town 0. Newton St Cyres 6, Clyst Valley 4. Upottery 6, Feniton 3.

DIVISION ONE

Exmouth Town 4, Alphington 2. Exmouth Town 2, Lyme Regis 0. Wellington Town 2, Colyton 1.

DIVISION TWO

Chagford 8, Budleigh Salterton 1. Heavitree Utd 1, Newtown 0.

DIVISION THREE

Exmouth 3, Newton Poppleford 2. Perry Street 6, Bampton 1.

University 5, Clyst Valley 1.

DIVISION FOUR

Kentisbeare 1, Ottery St Mary 0. University 3, Thorvorton 2.

Uplowman Athletic 1, Ottertton 1.

DIVISION FIVE

Beer Albion 4, North Tawton 1. Feniton 0, Awliscombe Utd 3.

DIVISION SIX

Hemyock 0, Winkleigh 2. Offwell Rangers 4, Silvertown 0.

Stoke Hill 3, Halwill 7.

DIVISION SEVEN

Ilminster Town 3, Exmouth Spart 1. Woodbury 1, Cheriton Fitzpaine 5.

DIVISION EIGHT

Bampton 10, Seven Stars 0. Bravehearts 1, Lapford 0. Newton Poppleford 0, Upottery 3.

DIVISION NINE

Central FC 0, East Budleigh 5. Millwey Rise 4, Feniton 0. EAST DEVON SENIOR CUP QUARTER-FINAL

Bickleigh 4, Witheridge 8. All other matches postponed

FIXTURES

Saturday, March 11th

football tables

D&E Div 6 (24) Pld Pts	
Winkleigh	17 48
Exwick Village	19 41
Central FC	15 32
Hemyock	17 31
Lyme Regis Reserves	14 30
Offwell Rangers	19 30*
Halwill Reserves	19 30
Stoke Hill	18 20
Elmore Reserves	15 19
Dunkeswell Rovers	19 18
Tivvy Park Rangers	17 17
Silvertown	19 15
Hatherleigh Reserves	18 5

D&E Div 7 (22) Pld Pts	
Ilminster Town Res	21 53
Cranbrook	20 48
Wellington 3rds	21 48
Exmouth Spartans	19 34
Sidmouth Town 3rds	18 33
K&M Polonia Exeter	19 24
Cheriton Fitzpaine	19 24
Woodbury Reserves	19 19
Bickleigh Reserves	17 17
Seaton Town Res	16 16*
Colyton Reserves	17 7
HT Dons	20 7

D&E Div 8 (22) Pld Pts	
Upottery Reserves	18 47
Bravehearts	17 39
Axminster Town 3rds	19 38*
Lapford Reserves	20 31
Queen's Head	20 31
Kentisbeare Reserves	17 28
Bampton Reserves	19 27
Newton Poppy Res	21 26
Amory Green Rovers	19 20
Bradinnich	21 15
Seven Stars Kennford	20 12*
Sandford Reserves	17 8

D&E Div 9 (18) Pld Pts	
St Martins 3rds (C)	18 37
Chagford Reserves	18 34
Witheridge 3rds	17 32
East Budleigh Res	18 29
Millwey Rise Res	16 28
Honiton Town 3rds	17 28
Tedburn St Mary Res	16 20
Amory Green Res	16 16
Central FC Reserves	18 15
Feniton 3rds	18 7

Perry Street Prem (20)Pld Pts	
Beaminster	15 37
South Petherton	15 34
Barrington	14 34
Shepton Beauchamp	14 29
Misterton	14 26
Winsham Utd	16 26
W & M Chinnock	15 13
Netherbury	14 12
Chard Utd	12 11
Combe Reserves	14 5*
Drimpton	15 0

Perry St Div 1 (18) Pld Pts	
Pymore	11 24
Forton Rangers	12 23
Waytown Hounds	12 23
Merriott Rovers	11 20
Hawkchurch Utd	8 16
Upluwey	11 14
Shepton Beau Res	12 14*
Ilminster Town Colts	11 13
Combe A	11 8
South Petherton Res	13 2

Perry St Div 2 (18) Pld Pts	
Chard Rangers	12 30
Halstock	11 27
Farway Utd	13 27
Charmouth	15 26
Winsham Utd Res	13 22
Dowlish & Donatt	13 22
Thorcombe	14 13
Kingsbury Episcopi	12 13
Crewkerne Rangers	10 12
Chard Utd Reserves	12 6

Perry St Div 3 (24) Pld Pts	
Misterton Reserves	14 35
Upluwey Reserves	12 27
Forton Rangers Res	11 27
Merriott Dynamos	13 23
Ilminster Town A	16 23
Crewk Rangers Res	14 20
Thorcombe Res	14 19
Lyme Regis Rovers	14 17*
Fivehead	12 16
Chard Rangers Res	15 11
Farway Utd Res	14 9
Chard Utd All Stars	13 9

tee off golf news

New captains in place at Axe Cliff

CRICKET ST THOMAS

with Bert Robinson

THIRTY three seniors played in a three-man Texas scramble last Monday.

With the threatening rain keeping off, some impressive scores were recorded and the first four places all recorded sub 60 rounds.

Result: 1st Rod Stevens; Keith Branchflower & John Sweet 56.17, 2nd John Pearce; Paul England & Nick Hill 59.00, 3rd Trevor Dobson; John Wandless & Colin Ireland 59.33.

Although the weather was unfavourable on Wednesday, 27 members attended the three-man "all to score" combined stableford competition. With some of the greens being temporary, the scoring was somewhat enhanced.

Result: 1st Mike Mosser; Don Taylor & Martin Putland 111 points, 2nd Richard Forster; Martin Leigh & Brian Forbes 103, 3rd Barrie Heath; Ian Houseman & Paul Bennett 99.

Meanwhile, the Seniors' match team were beaten 3½-2½ at Axe Cliff in their first match of the season with four players having never played the course before.

Results: Roger Stone & Ian Griffiths won 3&2, Alan Chance & Mike Hone won 2&1, George Wallace & Andy Beale lost 2&1, Bill Hilson & John Wandless halved, Alan Davis & Stuart Pope lost 2&1, Martin Bargery & Barrie Singleton lost 2&1.

The Seniors March Hare competition was postponed due to the weather.

AXE CLIFF with Dave Bruce & Peter Motson

ON Saturday, the annual Captains' Drive-In was held when the Club celebrates the election of its three new Captains.

The present format is a SHOTGUN competition played as a Texas Scramble with three players on each tee.

The new Captains - Jo Dommett (Ladies), Steve Anning (Main club) and Dave Bruce (Seniors) start the event by driving on the first hole and the members have to estimate where their respective balls are going to land by putting lollipop sticks on the fairway (or rough!).

The weather was windy and wet but this did not stop 54 members from completing the course.

The overall winners were Mike Cottam, Leighton Morgan & Chris Walker with a net 64.7.

Steve Anning, on behalf of the Captains, thanked everyone for their support. The course was in perfect condition and thanks given to the hardworking greens staff.

Meanwhile, the Ladies held their first Medal Round of the year Sandra Walker came in first with a net 79. Followed by the net 80s from Barbara Commings who beat Margaret Kenchington on a countback.

The Mens section recently played their Winter League round seven, format Stableford. Top scorer was Nigel Pritchard with 37pts. In second (on back nine) was Craig Trivett with 36 with Mike Wickins third Trivett and Anthony Hellier both carded 25.

The Men played their Winter League round eight the following week, format Medal. Stuart Mackie finished first with a net 63. Close behind was Simon Sweetland (net 64) with Dave Morgan third (net 66). Mackie scored the only two.

The Men played a Texas Scramble on Febru-

ary 26th, format, Medal, teams of three, six drives each. The winners were Mike Cottam, Matt Coburn & Steve Backer with a net score of 57.8. Three 2s were recorded by Paul Curtin, Andrew Hellier and Ian Burraston.

HONITON with John Pawley

ONCE again the weather played a controlling role.

On Tuesday the monthly mixed draw took place but only 14 holes were played. The team coping best with the conditions, and winners of the Chivers Centenary Goblets were Lesley Farley & John Frith, who scored 26 points. Maureen Tollemache & Bob Barnes took second place on count-back from Sue Kelson and Ron Graham, both scoring 25.

On Wednesday the ladies played their first medal competition of the season and, with only one temporary green, it was a qualifier. In deteriorating weather conditions, most of the 14 members got wet.

Despite this Ann Trayling showed her class, as one of the two Silver players who participated, and returned a great score of 74. Of the seven Bronze One players only two were in the frame - Ann Desmoulins (80) and Gill Johnson (83).

Five Bronze Two players entered with Susan Hyde leading with 85 followed by Jan Portlock (87).

The overnight rain, and forecast for Friday meant that the Seniors had to lose the competition, and a round of the eclectic. The greens staff are now waiting for a quieter, drier spell before they can work on the greens again ahead of the spring.

hockey honiton hornets

Four goals in strong second half showing

Honiton Hornets 5 Dawlish 0

HONITON played third place Dawlish in their latest Petroc 2 league match.

Dawlish boast one of the best goalkeepers in the league - a real challenge to get the ball past.

Honiton started well and created a good number of chances.

With the midfield controlling the game, Katrina Tucker's shot would have beaten most keepers but was just tipped wide to keep the Hornets off the score sheet.

In the end a quick pass from Sophie George saw Lizzie Burton free just outside of the circle and she found Vanessa Trude who deflected it past the keeper.

The match was not all one-way, but Honiton's defence, including new player Maddy Raynor, were up to the task of keeping a clean sheet.

In the second half Honiton went up through the gears and added four more.

Trude scored twice to complete her hat trick and Lizzie Burton netted her first two league goals for the Hornets.

Joint Players of the Match were Lizzie Burton and Vanessa Trude with Maddy Raynor a vote behind.

In other league results, second placed Ashmoor who are the only other team who can now win the league put an impressive 10 unanswered goals past Sid and Otter 4s bringing their goal difference closer to the Hornets so all still to play for in the last three matches.

Honiton Hornets are always keen to welcome new players to their friendly and competitive team. Please see www.wcwhl.co.uk for contact details.

on the frontier around the local skittles leagues

Colyton

Div 1: Lamb A 345 (P Pomeroy 67) Red Lion A 345 (A Beer 72); Colcombe A 438 (S Marks 108) New Inn A 423 (N Jones 76); Cloakham B 323 (B Ostler 65) Seaton FC A 343 (M Pavey 66); Red Lion Cavaliers 399 (W Phillips 90) Colyton Club A 372 (R Tedbury 67); Tuckers Arms B 358 (D Gould 68) Gerrard A 400 (S Perry 74); Honiton Con D 391 (S Williams 87) Vine B 379 (G Wright 77); Axminster Con A 357 (S Moore 63) Lamb B 354 (L Ellis 64);

Div 2: Honiton WMC A 335 (S Pye 67) Eagle Tavern 313 (C Hutchings 61); Volunter A 335 (M Gillard 60) Honiton Converts 349 (D Lapping, A Down 63); Vine A 347 (P Hurford 63) Ship C 344 (R Gush, M Clement 59); Kings Arms Beers 352 (J Summers 68) Offwell A 375 (J Lockyer 77); Tuckers A 376 (J Gostling, J Bird, C McGowan 64) Wheelwright A 366 (P Squires, B Peach 64); Gerrard B 355 (M Orsman 70) Colcombe Beerboys 352 (G Westlake 66); Dolphin Vikings 384 (A Parkhouse 68) Sidbury Stones 400 (J Woodfield, J Bass 74);

Div 3: Sidbury Village Inn 360 (J Smith 70) Kingfisher A 389 (M Griffiths, A Parsons 78); White Hart B 375 (Michelle Craker 71) Ship C 340 (G Hayball 66); Red Lion A 375 (J Lockyer 77); Tuckers A 376 (J Gostling, J Bird, C McGowan 64) Wheelwright A 366 (P Squires, B Peach 64); Gerrard B 355 (M Orsman 70) Colcombe Beerboys 352 (G Westlake 66); Dolphin Vikings 384 (A Parkhouse 68) Sidbury Stones 400 (J Woodfield, J Bass 74);

Div 4: Axminster Inn A 308 (A Palmer 57) Tuckers Arms C 321 (F Pearse 68); Rising Sun A 367 (R Drew 71) Honiton Con A 364 (G Mills 64); New Inn B 319 (D

Hodder 61) Kings Arms A 295 (K Tozer 66); Winstons A 334 (B Parker, M MacGarrigue 61) Rising Sun B 366 (M Clode 72); Seaton FC B 333 (Sarah Ziemann 63) Honiton WMC B 330 (O Butler 63);

Div 5: Colcombe Nomads 379 (M Facey, P Easter 65) Sidmouth Arms Kings 374 (O Fuller 75); Colyton Club B 358 (W Richards 68) White Hart A 333 (B Parr 62); Kingfisher B 269 (B Dowell 54) Tuckers Arms D 265 (D Bennett 56); Offwell B 396 (S Scotland 80) Honiton Con Raiders 374 (Kira Foster 77); Seaton Bowling 289 (Lilian Hurley-Smith 58) Winstons KOOTS 287 (D Purrington 51).

Division One Pld Pts
New Inn A20 28
Red Lion Cavs20 28
Axe Con A20 27
Gerrard A20 25
Honiton Con D20 22
Vine B20 22
Lamb B20 20
Seaton AFC A20 20
Colyton Club A20 19
Tuckers Arms B20 19
Colcombe A20 16
Red Lion A20 15
Lamb A20 11
Cloakham B20 8

Division Two Pld Pts
Offwell A20 28
Volunteer A20 27
Vine A20 26
Sidbury SC Stones19 24
Ship C20 21
Dolphin Vikings20 20
Gerrard B20 20
Honiton Converts20 20
Honiton WMC A19 17
Wheelwright A18 16
Eagle Tavern20 16
Tuckers Arms A20 15
Colcombe Beerboys20 13
Kings Arms Beers20 12

Division Three Pld Pts
Wilmington Harts17 22
Vine Nomads16 21
Sidbury Village Inn18 20
Cloakham Wanderers18 20
Volunteer B18 20

Kingfisher A17 16
Mountbatten Whites17 16
White Hart B17 16
Red Lion Sidbury16 15
Three Tuns BTP16 14
Colcombe B17 12
Ship A15 8

Division Four Pld Pts
Rising Sun A16 30
Axe Inn A18 23
Kings Arms A16 20
Heathfield A17 20
Seaton AFC B17 16
Honiton Con A16 15
Honiton WMC B17 15
New Inn B17 15
Honiton Con Artists16 14
Winstons18 13
Rising Sun B18 12
Tuckers Arms C18 10

Division Five Pld Pts
Colcombe Nomads17 30
Colyton Club B16 28
Offwell Rejects18 24
Seaton Bowling17 22
Sidmouth Arms Kings17 20
Winstons Koots18 18
Dolphin B16 16
Kingfisher B16 12
White Hart A16 12
Heathfield B17 10
Honiton Con Raiders18 6
Tuckers Arms D16 4

Axminster
Div 1: Old Kilm A 342 (A Cross 64) Red Lion D 349 (T Herbert 65), Green Army 336 (M Pidgeon 62) Sidmouth Arms 353 (P Drew 71), Lamb Spartans 340 (C Miller 70) Ax Con Rebels 326 (P Pomeroy 62), Red Devils 394 (B Huntley 75) Kingfisher Feds 398 (C Challis 72), Thorncombe B 346 (M Boulton 66) Gerrard D 364 (D Randall 74), Tuckers C 361 (D Roberts 67) B&Gs 378 (C Sharpe 71).

Div 2: Ax Inn Jokers 307 (D Churchill 58) Thorncombe A 311 (N Hawker 67), New Inn A 337 (A Rees, D Hodder 60) WH Warrior 311 (P Harrison 61), WH Wilma A 401 (B Plastow 74) Lamb A 386 (D Weston 75), Red Lion C 372 (P Bird 71) New Inn C 379 (B Smith 79), Colcombe A 471 (V

Trivett, J Williams 91) Thorncombe C 419 (C Ellis 79), Wootton Sherberts 334 (J Chapman 68) Tuckers Maggots 327 (C Schultze 70).

Div 3: Ax Inn B 314 (J Trott 57) AX FC A 322 (M Boniface 58), Ax Con A 322 (A Bolton 57) Colcombe B 266 (P Wyatt 50), Kings Arms Seaton 371 (K Tozer 72) Ax FC B 355 (R Smith 71), Ax FC IV 397 (J Mitcham 80) Old Inn Kilm B 387 (A France 74), King Wingers 314 (J Hibberd 63) WH Wilma B 289 (T Hoad jnr 56).

Div 4: Tuckers Y 367 (R Burrough 69) New Inn Hawks 356 (D Rowe 66), Ship Rotary 341 (J Brennan 67) Colcombe Nomads 370 (J Coe 69), Lamb Shanks 310 (M Pritchard, P Herrod 58) Seaton BC 300 (P Grigg 55), WH Colyford 349 Bev's Boys 355 (T Guiducci 75), Gerrard C 351 (R Warren 62) Lamb 49rs 355 (T Chubb 69).

Ellis Shield 4th round:
B&Gs 336 (M Enticott 63) Thorncombe Drifters 256 (C Wyatt 55), Wootton Cowboys 241 (R Hedditch 47) Colcombe A 172 (J Williams 42), Green Army 211 (R Chapple 57) Ax Jokers 249 (A Churchill 55).

Notice to Captains Men's Division 4: The Bottle Inn have withdrawn from the League therefore all points from the mid season turn around will now be null and void, all future fixtures please treat as a bye.

Division One Pld Pts
Ax Con Club Rebels21 32
B & Gs21 30
Lamb Spartans21 30
Wootton Cowboys20 24
Sidmouth Arms21 24
Tuckers C21 22
Thorncombe B21 22
Red Lion Red Devils21 20
Green Army21 20
The Feds (Kingfisher)21 18

Thorncombe Drifters20 14
Red Lion D21 12
Old Inn Kilmington A21 12
Gerrard D21 10

Division Two Pld Pts
Thorncombe A21 32
Wootton Sherberts21 32
Axe Inn Jokers21 24
Thorncombe C20 24
Colcombe A20 22
New Inn Kilmington C21 22
Red Lion C20 22
Tuckers Maggots21 22
White Hart Warriors21 19
White Hart Wilma A21 18
New Inn Kilmington A21 16
Gerrard A20 14
Cloakham Stars20 12
Lamb A21 9

Division Three Pld Pts
Axminster Inn B19 28
King Wingers20 24
Old Inn Kilmington B20 24
Axminster FC IV19 22
Ax Con Club A19 22
Kings Arms Seaton A19 20
Gerrard B18 20
Axminster FC A20 18
White Hart Wilma B19 18
Axminster Inn A19 17
Axminster Halfcuts18 16
Axminster FC B20 12
Colcombe B20 9

Division Four Pld Pts
Lamb 49rs19 31
Colcombe Nomads19 26
Lamb Shanks18 24
Seaton Bowling Club17 20
New Inn Hawks17 20
Bev's Boys17 18
Winstons Wobblers18 17
Kingfisher A19 16
Ship Rotary17 14
Tuckers Y17 12
Gerrard C17 10
White Hart Colyford16 8

Ladies
Div 1: Ax Inn A 330 (R Critchard 63) Wotnots 309 (C Phillips 64), Gerrard Guzzlers 320 (A Collings 60) Seaton BC 331 (P Whitworth 62), Thorncombe Newtops 296 (M Taylor 58) Colcombe A 314 (A Ogden 64), Bees Knees 340 (R Grigg 66) New Inn B 345 (M Mear 60), New Inn A 296 (G Perkins, H Hopewell 53) Rousdon Ladies 288 (P Lenn 61).

Div 2: Colcombe B 392 (S Wilton 87) Tuckers A 365

(L Gould 85), WH Wilma A 303 (J Bishop 56) Colcombe Angels 330 (A Bennett 58), Seaton FC 290 (S Smart 54) Ax Inn Allsorts 304 (R Enticott 58), Tuckers B 316 (A Bennett, S Cooper 57) B&Js Cloakham 286 (A Dredge 55), Cloakham A 314 (W Kiy 60) Gerrard A 296 (J Page 64).

Ladies Division One Pld Pts
Axe Inn A18 32
Wotnots17 28
Seaton Bowling Club17 23
Red Lion A17 20
Rousdon Ladies18 19
Colcombe A18 18
Colcombe Girls18 14
New Inn A17 14
New Inn B18 14
Gerrard Guzzlers18 13
Bees Knees19 13
Thorncombe Newtops18 6

Ladies Division Two Pld Pts
Cloakham A20 28
Colcombe B20 24
Tuckers Arms B19 24
Gerrard A19 24
Battle Axes19 22
White Hart Wilma A20 22
B & Js19 20
Seaton FC19 20
Tuckers Arms A20 16
Colcombe Angels19 16
Thorncombe A18 12
Axe Inn Allsorts19 12
Red Lion Rabbie17 8

Crewkerne & District
Division One Pld Pts
Super Sexy Six16 153
Lost Boys17 151
Headhunters17 134
Mighty Ducks17 118
The Coachmen17 117
Stray Cats17 103
Football Club17 99
King Willy Dogs17 91
Rollers17 83
Old Bobs17 70
Royal Oak Drimpton17 46
Sports 9216 41

Division Two Pld Pts
Brewers Bees16 125
Pinbusters16 113
Rugrats16 108
Perrott Monkeys15 105
Skimmers15 100
Hillbills15 86
Muppets15 85
Ugly Ducklings15 81
Raptors16 76

Fudders16 76
Fryers16 67

Division Three Pld Pts
DBST17 140
Admiral 617 123
The King's Jesters17 121
Royal Chokers17 115
Chis Colts17 110
Willy Low Flyers17 105
Sandbaggers17 100
Concorde17 93
Beer Leg Boys17 86
Rotary17 85
King's Men17 79
The Likely Lads17 67
Top Score; J.Fullerton 66, T.Champion & V.Ball both 65.

East Devon Hunt
Division One Pld Pts
Marvels19 28
Culm Vale20 28
Honiton Clyst20 24
Blacksmiths18 22
Ur Arns18 22
Marsh Green19 20
Stags19 20
Talon19 20
Foxenhole19 17
Night Owls19 17
Sutton Wanderers18 16
Auctioneers19 14
Upottery19 10
Sidford17 6

Division Two Pld Pts
Jack's Lads16 26
Keepers19 26
Latecomers17 24
A Team18 24
Perkins Village17 21
Zulu Warriors16 19
Cocks & Hens18 18
Top Cats18 15
Breakaways17 14
Awilcombe Shoot17 13
Tuckers Arms17 13
Brookside17 9
Bakers 817 2

Division Three Pld Pts
New Inn15 22
Broadclyst16 22
Bashers12 19
Goldtops16 19
Axe Valley18 19
Yetties13 16
Guys & Gals16 16
Maynards15 14
Here for the Beer14 14
Alley Cats17 12
Yoyo's15 10
Cee Dee's17 8
Earth Stoppers14 7
Top Scores; Dave Lazenby 95, Neil Taviner 91, Sheamus Machin 90, Margi Maher 88.

darts chard & district

Premier Division Pld	Pts
Rejects Return	10 184
High 4 & a Half	9 176
Wanderers	9 128
Crusaders	9 119
BDBs	9 119
Hobnobs	10 116
Happy Sharks	9 99
Hopefuls	9 78
Most 180s: P.Lawrence 57, L.Cox 6, S.Mainwaring 4, S.Rutter 3, G.Knight, D.Herbert, L.Roper, A.Hodges, D.Cook & G.Hill all 2, 13 players 1.	
Division One	Pld Pts
Okey Doaks	11 140
Pop Darts	11 125
Random Tossers	10 113
Down's	11 107

cribbage honiton

MARCH 2nd: (second leg) Knock Out Cup Results Round 1; Feniton Soc A (3)+3 agg score 6 - Blacksmith Arms (5)+5 agg score 10, Honiton Inn A - Honiton Inn B Away walkover, Thirsty Farmer (4)+2 agg score

bowls east devon short mat

Evening D1	Pld Pts
Beer	8 12
Sidbury	8 11
Sidbury Whites	7 8
Musbury	9 8
Colyton	9 7
Uptonery	8 6
Seaton	7 4
Evening D2	Pld Pts
West Hill	9 15
Awliscombe	10 12
Uffculme	8 10
Ottery St Mary	8 7
Sidbury Reds	8 7
Colyton B	9 1
Afternoon D1	Pld Pts
Colyton	9 12
Awliscombe	9 12

snooker seaton & district

Six-point haul for new boys

RESULTS (Feb 28th); COLYTON ExCons 3+4 Chard Casuals 3+6, Sidmouth Cons 2+6 Colyton TC 4+0, Honiton Wonderers 6+0 Honiton WMC 0+0. Result for match postponed on Feb 14th: Colyton Feds 3+0 Colyton ExCons 3+0.

League table	Pld Pts
Wonderers	14 77
Colyton TC	13 41
Chard Casuals	14 39
Colyton ExCons	14 35
Colyton Feds	13 34
Sidmouth Cons	13 28
Honiton WMC	14 26

darts axminster

RESULTS (Feb 14th) Team; Dapper Darts 5-1 Lamb Shanks, Len Goodmans 5-1 Axminster Inn, The Swamp 4-0 Con Club.

Team table	Pld Pts
The Swamp	12 23
Vault A	13 21
Con Club	13 21
Len Goodmans	13 14
Axminster Inn	14 13
Red Necks	10 9
Lamb Shanks	12 6
Dapper Darts	12 3
Red Bulls	11 0

darts crewkerne & district

Division One	Pld Pts
Hot Shots	15 121
Why	15 108
King Willy	13 92
Jokers	13 77
Mighty Oaks	11 75
Crusaders	14 68
Cats Eyes	13 54
Waffy Crankers	11 46
Happy Hoooters	9 45
Clubbers	12 43
Madrid Reserves	12 30
Highest get out: L.Gosney 158.	

PAs	10 96
Cult of Personality	11 94
Pig Jockeys	10 86
Pirates	11 84
Nice Ricks	11 81

Most 180s: S.Castle, A.Sharp & M.Ballance all 2, 14 players x1.

Division Two	Pld Pts
HRT	10 126
Madhouse Crew	10 112
Happy Days	10 107
Dizzy Tarts	10 104
Stumpy's Gang	9 100
The Haymaker	10 70
No skill, just lucky	8 59
Two minute crew	9 55

Most 180s: A.Pidgeon, A.Mather, B.Allen, A.Sprake & K.Tovey all x1.

6 - New Fountain (4)+6 agg score 10. Fixtures - March 9th; Quarter-Final first leg; Honiton Inn B v Feniton Soc B, New Fountain v Workingmens A, Vine Inn A v Blacksmith Arms, Workingmens B v Vine Inn B.

Afternoon D2	Pld Pts
St Teresa's	9 11
Sidford Blue	9 10
Seaton Blue	9 9
Combe St Nich B	9 9
Chard	9 8
Lyme Regis	9 7

Afternoon D3	Pld Pts
Hemyock B	10 12
Musbury	10 12
Seaton Green	9 11
Combe St Nich A	9 10
Colyton B	9 8
Sidford White	9 3

Bruce Miller Cup Pld	Pts
Wonderers	14 77
Chard Casuals	14 71
Sidmouth Cons	13 60
Honiton WMC	14 48
Colyton Feds	13 47
Colyton TC	13 43
Colyton ExCons	14 43

Singles; Dapper Darts 2-2 Lamb Shanks, Len Goodmans 3-1 Axminster Inn, The Swamp 4-0 Con Club.

Singles table	Pld Pts
The Swamp	12 42
Vault A	13 41
Con Club	13 34
Len Goodmans	13 28
Axminster Inn	14 25
Red Necks	10 15
Lamb Shanks	12 15
Red Bulls	11 10
Dapper Darts	12 10

Division Two	Pld Pts
Rosie's Rebels	11 74
Who Knows	13 73
The Dart Side	10 71
The Professionals	11 71
Double Trouble	12 67
The Bandits	11 66
Del Boys	11 56
Pigs on Tour	8 47
Globetrotters	10 30
Job Lot Crew	9 28
Highest get out: J.Adams 145.	

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AVRs don't melt at The Big Cheese test

Axe Valley Runners with *Dave Mutter* KELLY Stamp (2nd senior lady), Simon Gould (2nd MV50), Sue Venn (1st65+ lady) ran the COMBE ST NICHOLAS 10K.

It was a hilly race in mostly sunny but blustery conditions before the heavens opened near the end of the race. This was Simon's 50th race, just after his 50th birthday so no doubt suitable 50th celebrations ensued.

Three Axe Valley Runners travelled to Cheddar on Sunday to run 'THE BIG CHEESE', a 15-mile, very muddy off-road race around the Mendip Hills.

After surviving buffeting winds, hail stones and heavy rain, Graham Newton to win a 1.5 kg wedge of cheese as first male vet over 65. Geoff Woodward and Steve Reynolds were not far behind,

with Geoff 104th, 2:34:51 and Steve 106th, 2:34:56.

Simon Durrant was the winner of the latest Seaton parkrun in 19:22 with AVR's Matt Hewer 2nd, 19:32 just pipping Garry Perratt by one second. Ellie Dominey was the ladies winner, 7th overall in 20:02. There will be a parkrun next Saturday, Grizzly weekend.

Honiton RC with *Judy Davey* SEVERAL Honiton Running Club members took part in Sunday's BIDEFORD HALF MARATHON.

The race is moderately flat with one small hill and is known as a 'swift half'.

Jim Cole won the race in the time of 1 hour 11 minutes. Vernon Gillard but did well to finish 29th in 1:40. Gavin Rice was 260th in 1:42.

First back for the ladies was Claire Rouse who came



■ JOB DONE: Axe Valley Runners Kelly Stamp, Simon Gould, Sue Venn at the Combe St Nicholas 10K

756th in 2:05. Kathy Layzell came 861st in 2:12, Rachel Mandrupson was next coming 956th in 2:19.

Jo Lowman came 1006th in

2:26 and was followed by Wendy Le Masurier in 2:32 in 1056th, Tina Ludlow 1108th in 2:49, Tracey Hailey and Sara Trumper finished

the HRC line-up coming within one place of each other in 1116th and 1117th - Tracey took 3:01 and Sara 3:06.

scrum down chard rugby

Chard fail to utilise the elements

with Glyn Hughes

Matson 19 Chard 0 South West One

AFTER winning the toss, Chard surprisingly decided to take advantage of the slope and elements in the first half on Saturday

This made it imperative to build up a good lead by the break because the home side would certainly know how to make the most of the slope in the second half.

Chard created several good opportunities but their play in the first half was generally below standard.

This was particularly so in the line-out where they struggled all afternoon.

The scrum functioned well in set piece situations with Liam Mustchin, in only his second full game, having a particularly promising match.

Chard did have several chances to get on the score board in the first half but were unable to take advantage.

After a disappointing performance Chard reached the half time interval

with the scores level at 0-0.

In the second half Chard were pinned back by some good territorial play by Matson and, although their own performance was an improvement on the first half, they were unable to stop the hosts from building up a 19-0 advantage.

Jason Wright and Darren Goetz tackled well throughout but, although the scrum was not too bad, this was not a good day for Chard.

SW Division One (Bottom)	Pld Pts
Teignmouth	20 42
CHARD	21 22
Kingsbridge	21 21
Midsomer Norton	21 7

The Chard 2nd xv league game against Yeovil was postponed on Friday evening because the main pitch was waterlogged.

Weston 4ths 20 Chard 3rd xv 0 Somerset Division Three South IN a somewhat scrappy game Chard put up a valiant performance against

the runaway league leaders.

Weston ran over for their first try in the opening minutes.

Chard responded positively but unforced handling errors ruined their chances of getting on the score board.

After surviving the pressure from Chard, the hosts booted the ball downfield and won the chase for the touch down to score their second try.

Both sides were struggling to play decent rugby but just before the break Weston scored again to lead 15-0 at the break.

The second half was strewn with errors from both sides, but it was a competitive contest and both Mark Cornelius and Man of the Match Ian Mackenzie had good games.

Weston completed the scoring with their fourth try late on.

Chard 33 Frampton Cotterell 10 Somerset Colts League

THE Colts recent good form continued as they won this game fairly comfortably.

Frampton started well but Chard soon raised their game and built up a 19-0 lead with tries from Joe Mainwaring, Alex Hill and Emile Szydelko. Barnaby Down added two conversions and Chard were in a very strong position.

Just before the Interval Frampton got a well worked try which was converted and also kicked a penalty goal and chard led 19-10 at half time.

Chard dominated the second half and the forwards had clearly benefited from a skills session they had received in the week from Steve Broome.

Two more tries from Hill and Szydelko and two more successful conversions from Down put Chard well ahead.

The Chard back row of Luke Carslake, Dean Richards and Harry Cleal all played a big part in the victory.

Fixtures (Saturday, March 11th) 1st xv v Bridgwater (H), 2nd xv v Bridgwater (A), 3rd xv v Wincanton (H), Colts v Minehead (A) - all 2pm.

jack high bowls news and round-up

Ilminster trio through to County final

HONITON with *Julie Grant* HONITONlady bowlers experienced the highs and lows of the game last week.

A hard fought win over Torquay United was followed by a loss to Torbay.

The victory over TORQUAY came in the county Top Club by three events to two and puts Honiton into the Lacemakers Trophy final against Plymouth on March 26th.

Shirley Hiscocks & Rosemary Hiron had a fantastic win in the pairs and both of these players will feature in national Area finals in the coming weeks, Shirley in the fours with Ann Brown, Heather Chambers and Julie Grant, and Rosemary in the Two Wood Triples with Ann Hillyear and Rita Barwick.

Armitage, Joan Heard & Yvonne Rayner 25-15.

Both mixed friendlies were won; 51-45 against MADEIRA at home and 50-45 away at EXONIA. Top links were Doug and Rosemary Hiron, Ian Mackenzie, Jimmy Smith & Bill Nicholls 18-12 in the home game. Away top link was David Tooley, Mike Critchley, Richard Bland & Jimmy Smith 20-7.

ILMINSTER with *Des Maull*

ON Saturday an Ilminster triple of Johnathan Kingston, Will Anderson & Matt Hamilton made it through to the county finals after a 25-9 win against Weston St Andrews.

The finals are scheduled for Saturday, April 1st at Taunton Deane. The fours may join them if they can overcome Clarrie Dunbar in their semi-final.

AXMINSTER

with *David Harris*

OUR Ladies had an exciting 32-29 win in their friendly game at home to BUDLEIGH with a winning rink of Brenda Edwards, Sue Bond & Margaret Crompton (18-10).

Unfortunately the mixed friendlies have not proved as successful.

First off we lost 64-36 at home to HONITON with only Francis Sell, Margaret Brown, David Harris & Roger Legg winning (17-16) before losing 70-49 to YEOVIL with no winners.

We then lost 50-47 at home to CHARDSTOCK despite the efforts of Morrison Brown, Sue Bond, Andy Curtis & Brian Clark (25-11).

James Windsor, Chelsea Maher, Steven Apsey and guest player Shania Oliver made up a rink to represent DEVON UNDER 21s recently and were the only successful team (30-8).

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Brian Cursley, Ken Webster, George Mabon & Bob Sherborne represented DEVON VICE-PRESIDENTS recently at Madeira and did well to come back from 0-10 down to win 25-20 and were the only successful rink.

CHARD

Feb 10th; Our visitors were six members from SEATON BLUE for an East Devon League match, scores; singles - George Milner 16-3, Norman Sumpter 10-4, Norman Sumpter 7-5, George Milner 8-3. Pairs - Glen Milner & Hilary Angold 3-10, Janet Bodily & Gillian Leighton 5-8, Janet Bodily & Gillian Leighton 8-4, Glen Milner & Hilary Angold 3-7. Final score Chard 60 Seaton Blue 44.

CREWKERNE

Feb 15th; Nine members

travelled to ODCOMBE to play a mixed friendly, scores; David Charnick, Carol Thackaberry & Stuart Gould 6-15, Gwen Saunders, Tricia Harris & Bill Green 9-12, Sid Crisp, Kathy Bonney & Dave Wallis 7-10, Gwen Saunders, Tricia Harris & Bill Green 6-17, Sid Crisp, Kathy Bonney & Dave Wallis 9-8, David Charnick, Carol Thackaberry 7 Stuart Gould 10-11. Final score Odcombe 73 Crewkerne 47.

Wednesday, February 22nd; eight members travelled to SOUTH PETHERTON to play a mixed friendly, scores; David Charnick, Sally MacCleud & Dave Wallis 5-10, Gwen Saunders, Tricia Harris & Sid Crisp 5-12, Carol Thackaberry, Gwen Saunders & Sid Crisp 7-5, David Charnick, Sally MacCleud & Dave Wallis 8-11. Final score South Pether-ton 38 Crewkerne 25.

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■ **NEW CAPTAINS:** Steve Anning (Main Club), Jo Donmall (Ladies) and Dave Bruce (Seniors) were installed as the Captains for the year at Axe Cliff Golf club - see inside



■ **ALL TO PLAY FOR:** Despite crashing out of two cups recently, Hawkchurch United, with games in-hand, are still in a good position to push for promotion from the Perry Street League Division One. Line-up, standing, from left; Martin Bright (Manager), Josh Short, Gavin Herrod (Capt), James Mitcham, Jack Chapple, Brad Cross. Front: Tom Chubb, James Melville, Ollie Pearse, Jack Larcombe, Mark Herrod, Simon Herrod.

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